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The Editor's Page

N.A.D. Receives Grant for Occupational Survey

The National Association of the Deaf on January 24 was awarded a grant of \$17,200.00 by the United States Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, under the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, to help meet the expenses of the survey of occupational conditions among the deaf, which was described in the October, 1955, issue of *THE SILENT WORKER*. The grant was made possible by the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, P. L. 565.

This marks the first time in the history of the N.A.D. it has been the recipient of a Federal grant. It enables the Association to carry out the most extensive and probably the most important project it has ever undertaken. Total cost of the projected survey has been estimated at approximately \$25,300.00 and the N.A.D. will have the co-operation of the Research Department of Gallaudet College, as well as of the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation. Dr. Irving S. Fufeld, Vice-President of Gallaudet College, and Director of the Research Department, will direct the survey, and it has been officially endorsed by the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf and the Conference of Executives of American Schools for the Deaf.

According to the article in *THE SILENT WORKER* previously mentioned, the survey will provide means for a careful study of the conditions the deaf person must encounter in his role as a worker. These conditions, according to Dr. Fufeld, "include such matters as determination of those occupations from which imperfect hearing does or does not bar the deaf workman, the obstacles he will encounter in adjusting to his occupation — including the effects of competition with hearing workers — the special training necessary to give him competence, the level of education attained, and the relation between powers of communication and the occupational need for such skills." It will provide data on living wages, levels of occupational success attainable, union membership, accident liability and its effect upon employment possibilities, how to get a job, placement help, and other factors.

The N.A.D. office expects to be ready to start the survey shortly after the first of April, working with officials of the various state associations of the deaf and numerous local assistants. The help of other agencies working among the

deaf also will be enlisted. Questionnaires were prepared early last fall and, after much study and revision by the director and the members of the N.A.D. committee, they are almost ready for distribution. It is hoped that every deaf adult in the United States will receive and fill in one of the questionnaires. We shall then have available for the first time statistical information on occupational conditions among the deaf.

National Art Contest for Handicapped

The U. S. Office of Vocational Rehabilitation has announced a nationwide art contest for handicapped artists. Deaf artists who wish to participate should send their entries to The Morgestern Foundation, 119 West 57th Street, New York, N. Y. They must be shipped at the expense of the entrant, and they must be postmarked not later than midnight, May 1, 1956.

The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation is a co-sponsor of the contest, along with the President's Committee on Employment of the Physically Handicapped, the Veterans Administration, and the Morgestern Foundation.

The purpose of the contest is to encourage and further the careers of talented handicapped persons and to illustrate the rehabilitation and employment potential of the handicapped. The contest is confined to amateur artists, described in the rules as "handicapped persons whose major source of income is *not* in the art field."

Prizes for the winners in the contest will be awarded by the Morgestern Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to humanitarian effort. They will be as follows: \$1,000, first prize; \$500, second prize; \$250, third. Seven prizes consisting of \$100 government bonds, and twelve \$50 bonds.

Anyone desiring further information on this contest may write to National Art Contest for the Handicapped, c/o Morris Morgestern Foundation.

Clippings

THE SILENT WORKER quite frequently receives newspaper clippings relating something about deaf persons which the senders evidently consider suitable for reproduction. We appreciate these clippings and the helpful spirit of those who send them, and when they are interesting or informative enough we endeavor to re-write them for the benefit of our readers.

Pictures from newspaper clippings, however, can not be suitably reproduced in this magazine, so readers who are good enough to remember us with clippings are requested not to include clippings of photographs. If the original photographs can be included, we shall be glad to receive them.

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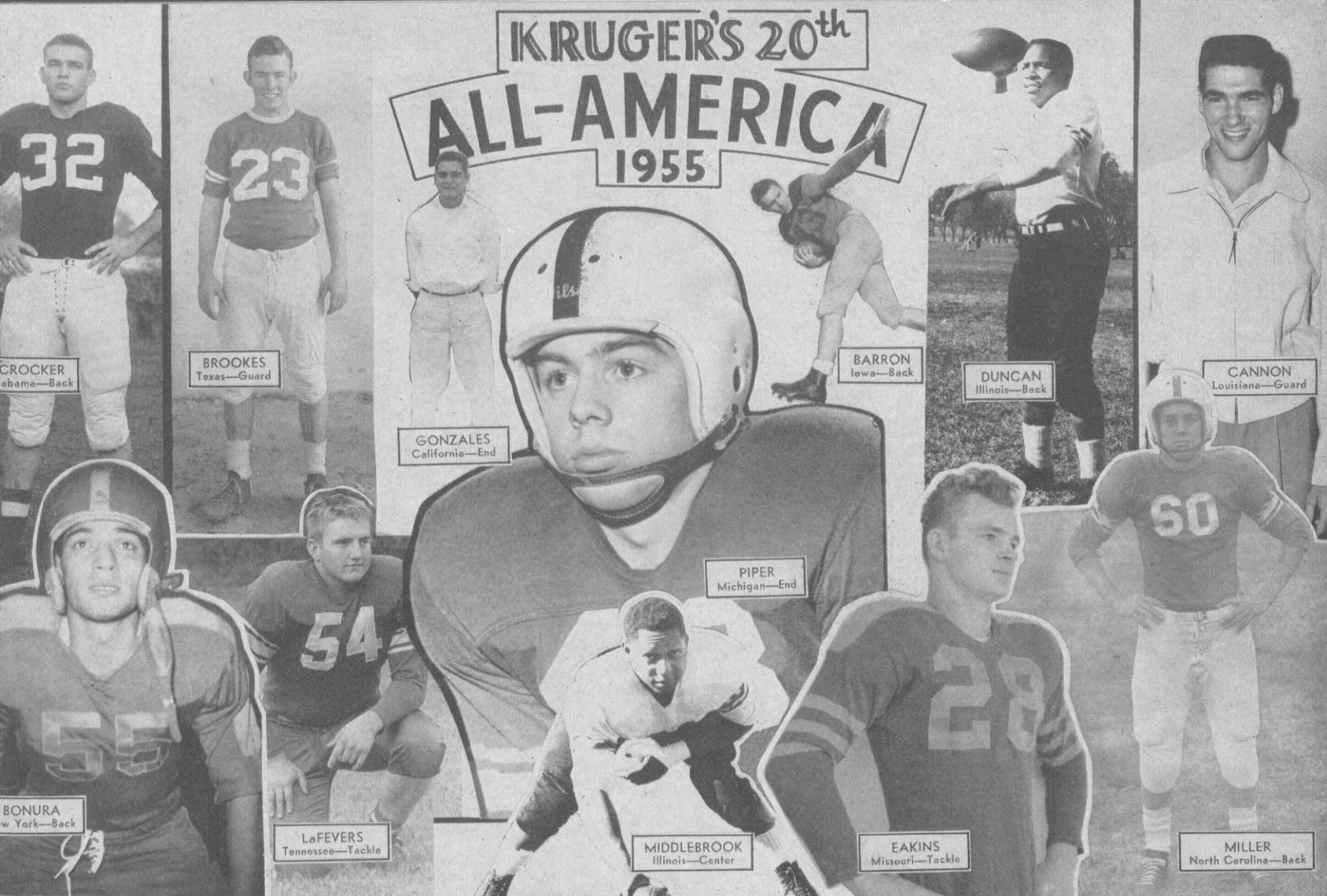
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Kruger's 20th Annual Football Story . . .

ILLINOIS REPEATS AS NATIONAL GRID CHAMPION

Alabama, North Carolina, and New York Present Unbeaten and Untied Records . . . Paul Kennedy of New York Compiles Envyable Record . . . Boyce Crocker of Alabama Named Player of Year . . . Coaching of Alabama's Moran Colburn Lauded

By Art Kruger

THIS IS OUR twentieth annual football story.

And for the first time in twenty years we have had a difficult time with the selection of a National champion team.

Illinois Tigers, Alabama Warriors, No. Carolina Bears, Texas Rangers, and New York Golden Tornadoes are regarded in all circles as the five top aggregations in the nation during the 1955 grid campaign.



ART KRUGER

North Carolina, Alabama and New York present unbeaten and untied records.

Illinois had a perfect slate in eight games until it went up against a club that won its conference football crown

with a 6-0-1 record. Galva high school, a member of the Black Hawk loop, rallied in the second half to hand the Tigers their first setback, 14-7.

Texas, too, lost its final game after chalking up NINE straight games. That one game that was lost—a 42-21 defeat suffered at the hands of Sacred Heart high school of Mallottsville, Texas—is something everyone hopes to forget. It was the kind of game that could have gone the other way. The game was a "natural," matching two undefeated teams in the final District game of the year to determine the District 1 representative in the State playoffs of the Southwest Academic League.

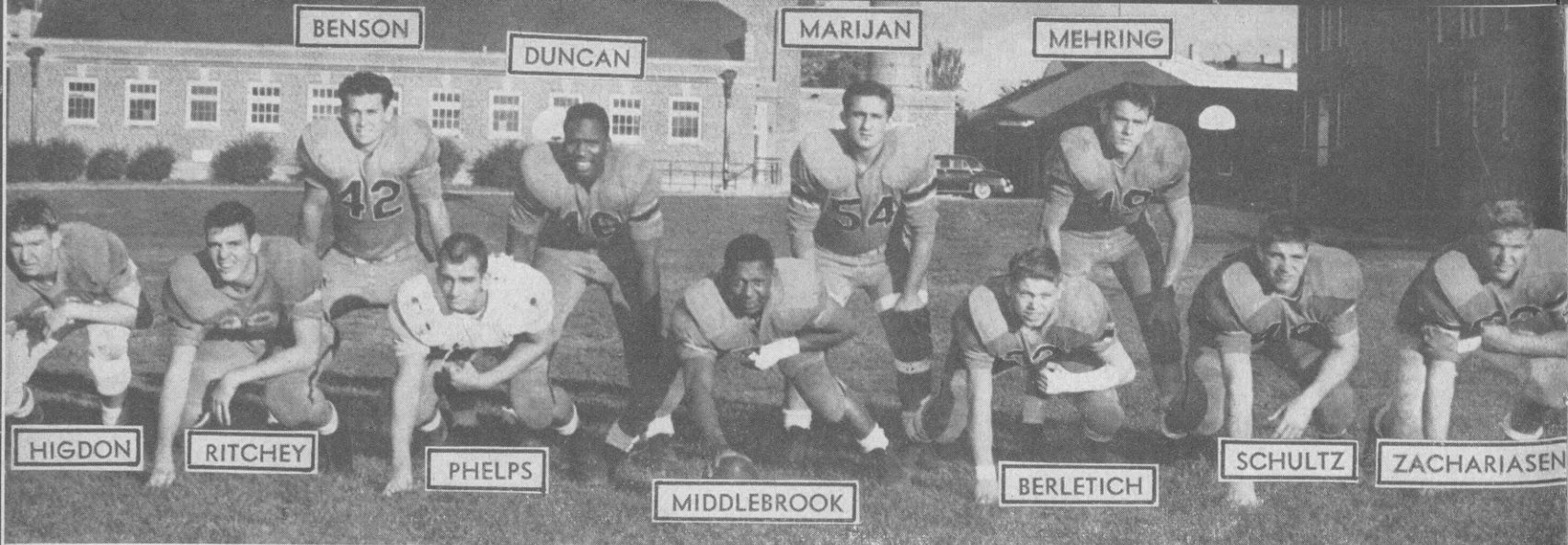
North Carolina and New York each becomes the first school for the deaf to have gone through two straight undefeated and untied campaigns in the last twenty years. North Carolina, how-

ever, has the better record, with 16 wins, while New York played only 11 games in two seasons.

North Carolina's point total of 309 in 8 games is the nation topper, while the 1955 Alabama line quite possibly was the meanest wall in the annals of school for the deaf pigskinning when it gave up only 19 points to all of its seven victims combined, an all-time Warrior defensive record.

North Carolina, however, permitted only SEVEN points stacked up against it by one of its seven foes, before it was barely able to edge out Conley Akin's much improved Tennessee eleven, 32-31, in its final game of the 1955 season.

Someone has said, "A coach is just as good as his material." True enough, for on the New York side is a man whose coaching record is as much a standout as a lone light in a blackout.



The Football Team representing Illinois School for the Deaf, picked by Art Kruger as top team in the nation for second consecutive year.

The man is Paul Kennedy.

In 10 years as Fanwood taskmaster, Kennedy has compiled a record of 47 wins, only 15 losses and two ties.

Born in 1916 in Jermyn, Pennsylvania, a little town near Scranton, Kennedy attended Jermyn High School, where he starred in football and track for four years. He was selected to the All-County gird squad in his sophomore year.

There seems to be some confusion, however, as to what position Paul represented on the squad. Because of the small number of players which made up the Jermyn eleven, Kennedy was the team's quarterback on first downs, shifted to end for the second down, was backup a play later and finally wound

up as safety man. All in all, he was quite a handy guy to have around the gridiron.

Paul moved on to East Stroudsburg State Teachers College, performing for the football and basketball squad during his freshman year and excelling in four years of wrestling. It has been said that Kennedy is the only college grappler who never lost on a fall.

Graduating in 1939, the New York School for the Deaf mentor then went to Columbia University for his Master's Degree, while at the same time taking teacher's training course at the Lexington Avenue School for the Deaf.

Paul went to NYSD early in 1941 as a teacher in the Advanced department, tutoring older boys in all subjects. Three years later, there was an opening for a head basketball coach and Kennedy found himself at the helm of a team which not only had a miserable 2-10 record the year before, but hadn't known a winning season in quite some spell.

Gradually learning the sign language from his pupils, Kennedy put a hex on teams which were used to knocking off the Deafmen and won a dozen of 16 games in his first year to mark the beginning of a new era at the school. And since the 1944-45 season Kennedy's basketballers have won 166 and lost 58.

The story has been practically the same for Kennedy as head football coach. Paul took over in that category in 1946 after the Deafmen gridders won only two of eight games and immediately turned in a winning 5-3 mark.

The Golden Tornadoes now have captured their last 12 games, including the final game of the 1953 season. Last year Coach Kennedy's crew went through five tilts without being scored upon. Last Fall the opposition managed to get 33 points while the Deafmen rolled up 249 in six games.

And perhaps the oddest streak of all—maybe an all-time record in the school for the deaf circle—is the puntless acumen of the Golden Tornadoes. In six

games they had to kick but once. That time in the Junior Republic high school of Lichtfield, Conn., game the ball was fumbled and the would-be kicker, Dom Bonura, picked it up and ran for a first down so NYSD hasn't punted in six contests.

New York's victims were as follows:

NYSD	Opp.
48—New Jersey School for Deaf.....	13
55—Storm King High School.....	7
26—Fieldston High School	0
47—Barnard High School	0
34—American School for Deaf	0
39—Junior Republic High School.....	13

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33

On the field, like all schools for the deaf, the Golden Tornadoes depend chiefly on visible signals. The huddle discussions are in sign language. Plays from the single wing are started when the fullback "calls" for the ball by thrusting his hands downward.

"The fullback makes the motion on all plays," Kennedy said, "even if another back gets the ball. If the opposition tries to get a fast start on us, we mix in a decoy signal."

The center watches between his legs for the call. The position limits his blocking effectiveness. In T-formation plays, the center snaps the ball when he gets "spanked" by the quarterback. The other linemen keep an eye on the ball for their cue to move.

The linemen's need to see the ball forces them to line up in a swept-back wing formation with the ends almost a yard farther back of the scrimmage line than the center (see Fig. 1).

"The linemen depend on peripheral vision (shaded area in diagram) to keep the opposition in sight while they eye the ball," the coach explained.

Kennedy tried a different formation when he started coaching in 1946.

He stationed the guards an extra step back from the scrimmage line with the tackles half a step closer and the ends in the regular positions (see Fig. 2).

"In that set-up," Kennedy pointed out, "the ends had to turn their heads

1955 Sectional Ratings

East

Fanwood (N.Y.)	6	0	0	249	33
Virginia	5	2	2	181	71
W. Virginia	2	6	0	136	163
Mt. Airy (Pa.)	2	6	0	105	215
New Jersey	1	5	0	76	215
American (Conn.)	2	3	0	62	100

Central

Illinois	8	1	0	235	77
Wisconsin	4	1	1	89	35
Michigan	5	2	1	171	78
Indiana	2	6	0	69	203
Kentucky	1	5	0	45	189
Ohio	1	6	0	88	148

Midwest

Iowa	5	2	0	156	67
Missouri	3	3	0	92	113
Minnesota	1	6	0	41	200
Kansas	2	5	0	88	163

Southeast

Alabama	7	0	0	122	19
North Carolina	8	0	0	309	19
Tennessee	5	3	1	135	102
Florida	1	8	1	73	208
Georgia	2	5	0	84	162
South Carolina	0	7	0	24	285

Southwest

Texas	9	1	0	252	105
Mississippi	4	4	1	186	130
Arkansas	4	7	0	144	226
Louisiana	2	7	0	72	151

Farwest

California	5	3	0	118	128
Colorado	4	2	1	173	109
Washington	2	5	0	104	135

at a right angle to see the ball and lost the image of the opposition. If the guards and tackles were not back far enough, the end wound up off-side."

"T-formation plays were almost impossible," he pointed out, "as the quarterback was exposed. In the single wing the guard was too close to the No. 2 back and had too far to travel for quick-opening plays."

"The swept-back wing almost eliminates off-sides and it provides maximum vision," Kennedy said.

"The ends get a glimpse of the ball between the arms of the tackles and guards."

"The stopping of play is no problem," the wonder working coach continued. "We have very little piling on after the whistle. The players usually can see that the play is over."

Contrary to what might be expected, Kennedy's coaching includes little black-board work. "I found the best way is to work through the plays on the field, showing each man his assignment as we go along," he said.

The system has produced excellent down-field blocking and a couple of fine running backs. Jerdy Berlowitz, the team fullback, led in scoring with 106 points. He did the signal calling in the single wing.

Dom Bonura is the quarterback. He scored 82 points and averaged better than 12 yards per carry. Sam Moore and Bill Jennette, a couple of fine outside runners are the halfbacks.

The NYSD team averaged about 150 pounds per man. Joe Ruiz, a 128-pound end, was the lightest. Tackle Roger Kenoski, 190, was the big man. The other linemen, George Pike, Allen Walker, Joe Syrakewski, Frank Lefass, and Bob

Canty weighed between 140 and 160.

John Kubis' North Carolina teams have had a 32-8-1 mark since he became head football coach in 1951. Wipe out the first season when he was in a busy rebuilding program and his fast four-year record takes on a glossy 30-2-1 sheen, which is the best in the past fifty years among our schools for the deaf.

While all the Bears played a great brand of ball over the eight-game campaign that saw them roll up 309 points, the one who stood out the most was Halfback Eddie Miller.

Miller's feats are many. His elusive style of running netted him a total of 16 touchdowns and 2 extra points. On two separate occasions he was singled out as being the outstanding high school boy player in the Carolinas (both North and South). It is a pity he only played in five games. He went out during the Gallaudet Prep game with a fractured rib and stayed out for the rest of the season. Miller picked up 989 yards rushing in 47 attempts. Against Lowell high school, he toted the pigskin 10 times for 3 touchdowns and against Thomasville high school, 13 times for 4 TDs. His best effort, however, was against the Harding high school club when he carried only six times for 4 goal-line gallops.

Tommy Lindsey, the pile driving fullback, was another excellent back. After Miller went out, he switched over to the left-half position and turned in a very creditable performance. It is as a fullback this boy shines though. When NCSD needed a yard or two, he was the boy it called upon, and he usually got it for the Bears. Tommy picked up a total of 659 yards in 59 attempts and

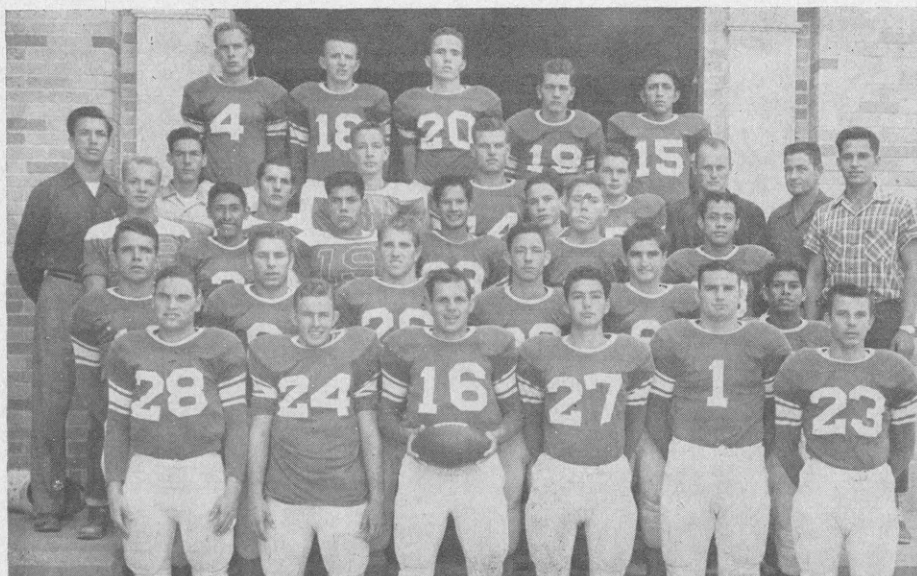
scored 69 points on 9 TDs and 14 extras (all running). He stands on even 6 feet, tips the beam at 165 and is 18. He'll be back for another year of play next year.

Roy Yokeley, the quarterback, is probably as much responsible for NCSD's record of 16 straight wins as anyone. A keen student of the game, Roy, although being an excellent passer and ball handler, shines in the strategy department. If an opponent has a weakness, Roy will spot it on the first several plays the Bears run, then brother, it giffs murder! All season, Roy played only one quarter on defense, this was during the Tennessee shindig when it gave the Bears the scare of their lives. Two of their best defensive backs were out with injuries, and Tennessee was passing them dizzy all afternoon. Roy begged Coach Kubis to put him in at safety. Naturally Kubis was very reluctant to do this because Roy is so valuable on offense and his 120 pounds were not made for defense, but, because of his great desire to play, Kubis put him in. With the score at 32-31 in NCSD's favor, and Tennessee's ball on the 20, and only about 30 seconds left to play, Tennessee called for a pass. The pass was a good one, right to a receiver standing in NCSD's end zone. Roy came up from nowhere to haul it in and save the game for North Carolina. Roy hit for a 1,000 percentage in his passing on several occasions. Through the year, he completed 30 out of 40 attempts. His favorite target was Charles Pless, a 14-year-old successor to Ted McBride at the end slot.

Tommy Johnson, a 195 pound giant, is also an outstanding end. On no occasion has Coach Kubis seen a better

The Alabama School for the Deaf eleven, which chalked up its first perfect season in the history of the school. It won all its seven games during the '55 season, registering a total of 122 points to opponents' 19. Left to right, kneeling: Odis Tucker, r.e.; Ronald Haggard, t.; Walter McDanal, t.; Kenneth Johnson, r.g.; James Nichols, c.; Lonnie Ford, l.g.; Buford Gilliam, l.t.; Eddie White, l.e. Rear: Earle Caldwell, asst. coach; Joe Dickinson, lhb.; Boyce Crocker, fb.; Jimmy Jordan, qb.; Jim Kelly, hb.; Charles F. Estes, hb.; Kenneth Walker, t.; Moran O. Colburn, head coach.





Texas School for the Deaf, rated fourth by Art Kruger.

pass catcher or a better defensive end. In these two departments, he has no peer in the whole state, but when it comes to blocking, that's a horse of another color. If he could only master the block, he'd be the best end Kubis ever had — and this includes the two Teds — McBride and Hames.

In the line, Kubis had many boys who turned in good work. Franklin Brown at center was an excellent blocker and line backer. Although Kubis used him primarily on defense at the start of the year. He soon showed Kubis that he had the stuff to go both ways and he put in a bang-up job on both. "It's very hard to think of adjectives to describe this boy, but take it from me, he did his job — but good!" said Coach Kubis.

And Kubis added, "Of all the mules up front, it is a tough job singling one out or evaluating them for that matter. All had that burning desire to do their job. They were proud to wear the Blue and White of NCSD and did their best to keep our record clean. We sure are lucky to have players like Owen Bass (175 lb. tackle), Tommy Johnson, Terry Dillen (155 lb. guard), Frank Brown (170 lb. center), Herman Spencer (175 lb. guard), Howard Carpenter (180 lb. tackle) and Charles Pless (170 lb. end)."

Many of the observers around that neck of the woods said NCSD had rocks in their heads for scheduling such tough teams, but the Bears showed them differently. Thomasville, for example, had one of the best AA teams in the state. Lowell was in the Class A playoffs. Cranberry was a powerhouse, and Gallaudet Prep had a much better team than you might think by comparing scores. And many opposing coaches said the 1955 NCSD team was the best high school team they had ever seen in their whole lives and that NCSD should be

playing AAA ball not A and AA.

Against Tennessee, the NCSD defense failed for the first time — probably because it played without the service of four of its regulars, especially the spectacular Eddie Miller, who were laid up for one reason or another. The way NCSD rallied to beat Tennessee showed it had a team of championship calibre.

And John Kubis, the man from Dixie (via Wisconsin and Washington, D.C.), is a great coach and is an up-and-coming Hall of Famer. Now take a peek at the 1955 record of his North Carolina Bears:

NCSD	Opp.
39—Lowell High School	0
27—Cranberry High School	7
40—Thomasville High School	0
44—Harding High School	0
25—Florida School for the Deaf.....	0
45—Gallaudet Preparatory School	0
57—South Carolina School for Deaf.....	0
32—Tennessee School for Deaf.....	31
309	38

The Alabama team, winner of 7 straight 1955 games, must rank as one of the finest ever to be produced in Alabama's lavish football history.

Success of the present Warrior brigade may be traced to three reasons. One, an extraordinary defensive line that yielded little yardage all year. Two, a fireball ball packer who seems to carry some kind of magic match that would light the offense and make it explode. And his name — Boyce Crocker. And three, the excellent job turned in by Coach Moran Colburn.

It has taken Moran Colburn only two years as head football coach to boom Alabama School for the Deaf into the national powerhouse status. And this was the first perfect season the school has ever had.

The Alabama Warriors ran both the single-wing and T-formation. They came down the 1954 home stretch with the

makings of a truly great team, finishing with a 4-2-2 record. Optimism ran high for the 1955 season as only five regulars would be lost in '55, two by graduation and three because they had reached the age limit (20). Since the 1954 team was composed of many players who were on the ASD Midget football crew that won the city championship several years ago, there were replacements to fill all the vacancies.

However, a pall of gloom hung over the campus in the fall of 1955 when 16 players with playing experience failed for various reason to report. With only the remnants of a good team, Coach Colburn, for the second successive year, was faced with the Herculean task of rebuilding a team. To most people this seemed impossible, but Colburn went to work in his own quiet efficient way (what potent magic he used is a trade secret, he says). His first move was to switch Boyce Crocker, 1954 All-America center, to the fullback slot. Two weeks of practice brought the realization that there was ONLY ONE player for each position. To bolster weak positions, Coach Colburn assigned double duty to some of his bigger, more experienced players by having them play one position on offense and another on defense. This strategy brought victories over Mississippi and Maplesville, but here disaster struck. Kenneth Johnson, star 180-pound tackle and a sure candidate for All-America, suffered a knee injury and was lost indefinitely to the Warriors. This along with another knee injury to Bill Sparks, fleet halfback and consistent ground gainer, and a leg injury to Joe Dickinson, pressed into service every available substitute with any kind of playing experience. Again Colburn was equal to the situation. Going on the assumption that every player looked alike in football togs, he sent in his green players with his starting veterans, keeping three or four experienced players on the bench. When the opposition discovered the weak spots, the ASD mentor would send in his fresh vets to plug the gaps. This plan served a two-fold purpose: it gave the veterans needed rest and enabled the young players to get experience. This sagacity paid off well for when the injured players finally returned, the substitute problems were very nicely solved and for the last few games, ASD had almost ample depth in reserve strength.

About midway in the season a new and bright star loomed on the horizon in 6 ft. 3 in. Odis Tucker, who almost overnight developed into a glue-fingered pass catcher, and, being the fastest man on the team, he was able to turn five pass completions into touchdowns. This gave Jimmy Jordan, always a good passer, an easy target to throw at and the new Jordan-to-Tucker combination

gave the Warriors added scoring punch.

After the third game of the season, the Warriors were not scored on. The four schools for the deaf that the Warriors played all failed to cross the double strip. Tennessee came closest, getting to the 2-yard line, but, with first down and the 2 yards to go for a touch-down, it failed to make it. Mississippi had a first down on the eight-yard line, but in four tries Joe Russell, the 200-pound fullback, lost three yards, the Warriors taking the ball on downs on the 11.

Boyce "Bull" Crocker, 6-1, 200 pounds senior of brawn and muscle, was the club's workhorse. He was All-America center in 1954 but was switched to full-back the past season to give the Warriors the line-bucking power to balance a good fast backfield that also had passing. As Alabama soared to its first unbeaten and untied season Crocker sparked the club by netting 978 yards in 122 carries for an average of eight yards. He scored 4 touchdowns, one a 55-yard sprint punt return against Arkansas. Besides his great driving power in bucking the line, he was FAST for such a big man, being the third fastest man on the squad. He is also a good pass receiver, catching two of the four passes thrown to him this year. He was used occasionally on end runs to throw the opposition off balance. The remarkable thing about Crocker is he did not lose a single yard in all his 122 carries. He was held to one or two yards on occasions when the ball was near the goal line, but never for a zero or a loss. Besides scoring the four touchdowns for 24 points, Crocker accounted for 12 extra points (5 placements and 7 from line plunges). He is also the club's punter, punting 17 times for 426 yards, an average of 25. Not all punts were for distance, but most were for the coffin corner. Crocker was also a slam-bang line backer and is credited with 52 tackles in the 7 games besides helping in a lot more. He was a standout all season and played 60 minutes of every game.

Exuding praise of Colburn's star player, our old friend, Harry L. Baynes, insists, "He is the greatest all-around football player I've ever seen. He's an All-America game buster . . . We'll never replace him. You can compare this giant to the greatest ever and you're not overestimating him. He's a great blocker, too, and on defense, well . . ."

And all opposing coaches spoke highly of Boyce "Bull" Crocker, so he has our vote to receive THE SILENT WORKER trophy as the No. 1 school for the deaf football player of the year.

And now more about ASD's football mentor, Moran O. Colburn. A graduate of the Alabama School for the Deaf in 1943, where he was an excellent foot-

ball player, being All-America center in 1941, Colburn has served as Scoutmaster since 1947 at ASD. Reaching the rank of Eagle Scout and awarded the Silver Beaver and Scoutmaster's Key, he is Assistant Adviser of the Choccolocco Council, representing which he attended the National Scout Jamboree in 1953.

We cannot imagine a more suitable or proper person to serve as coach than a hyphenated Scoutmaster-Coach. The lessons the boys learn as Scouts are carried out on the field where the Scout Oath is renewed and stressed. Colburn, as we see it, has shown all the qualities that go for good coaching and leadership. He has proven his ability to develop players, to rebuild teams two years in succession, to inspire players to do their best, and to cope with new situations. He has shown shrewdness, too, and has a sense of humor. Perhaps the secret of his success is his constantly stressing the fundamentals of football — blocking, tackling, plus teamwork.

And here's what Harry L. Baynes said: "I'm rebuilding, too, in basketball here but not with the success of our football mentor. He did such a good job that my basketballers practically dive for a loose ball thinking it a fumble! That's how well trained the footballers were."

And we do not believe that anyone has done a better job during the 1955 season than Alabama's own Moran O. Colburn, so he is our choice as Mr. School for the Deaf Football Coach for 1955.

Now pipe the record of his undefeated and untied team:

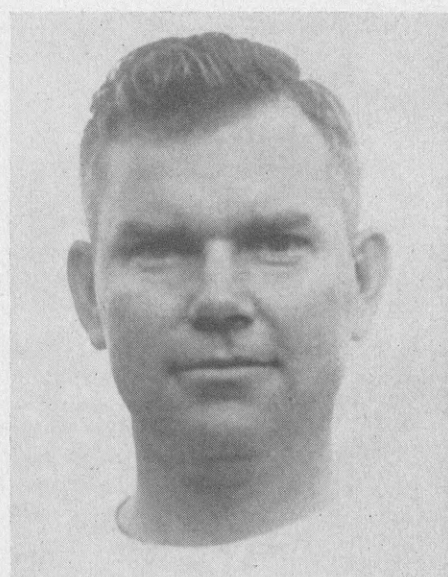
ASD	Opp.
13—Mississippi School for Deaf.....	0
19—Maplesville High School	13
14—Mortimer-Jordan High School	6
19—Tennessee School for Deaf.....	0
23—Heflin High School	0
20—Louisiana School for Deaf.....	0
14—Arkansas School for Deaf.....	0
122	19

Mortimer-Jordan is a Class AA club and finished the season with a 6-1-2 record, the lone loss being to the Alabama Warriors. This school, by the way, was selected to play in a charity game for the championship of Jefferson County, the largest county in Alabama, but was defeated by Fairfield high school.

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In his fifth year as Illinois School for the Deaf football mentor, Jim Spink has done another wonderful job with his 1955 Tigers, who played great ball all year and finished with an 8-1-0 record, which is one of the best marks in the state.

After losing their number one scoring threat, Jack Rampley, the Tigers went into the 1955 season with a heavy squad but it appeared they would lack scor-



Moran O. Colburn, who brought Alabama football into national prominence, was named Coach of the Year for 1955. He is a "native son" of ASD, an All-America center in 1941. He became head man in 1954 and compiled a 4-2-2 record. The recent season his eleven had a spotless record in 7 games.

ing punch. They had a top-notch quarterback in Al Duncan but the problem facing Spink was who was going to take his handoffs — who was going to be that runner that every winning club needs?

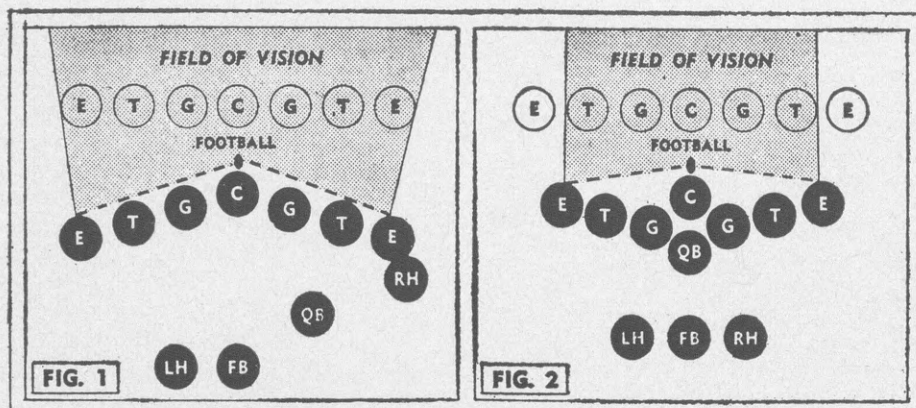
It wasn't long before the popular ISD mentor found out the answer to his number one question. It came in the person of a sophomore Paul Mehring. A solid 165-pounder, Mehring scored 13 touchdowns in nine games. However, this doesn't tell the true story. After scoring three times in the Tigers' opener, Mehring was forced to sit out much of several games as Spink attempted to hold the score down.

The only thing bad about the 1955 team is that the first team didn't get to play as much as the second team in several encounters. Of course, this was good for the younger players and may prove to great advantage come next season. We wonder what the score would have been if Jim Spink had left his first team in all the way in all nine games.

And it was tough for the Tigers to drop their last game of the year on the night of Armistice Day and thus end their chance of going undefeated for the first time since 1928 as they lost to Galva, 14-7.

The Galva coach had this to say following the game, "ISD is the hardest, blocking team I've ever seen in high school, and its Al Duncan was the best quarterback that I've seen all year."

And all other opposing coaches also remarked on how hard Spink kids hit. Their opponents fumbled 19 times and most of that was from being hit.



Kennedy's "peripheral formation." Fig. 1 shows how wing-like formation permits players to see movements of opponents while watching for snap of ball that starts the play. Fig. 2 shows how a line-up that placed the ends on the line of scrimmage was unsatisfactory because the sharp angle to the ball cut down the deaf players' view of their opponents.

Consider the Illinois line that gave up only 808 yards rushing to all of its 9 victims combined. Looking down the line from left end on are: Bill Zachariasen (210 pounds, 6-1), Ted Schultz (198, 6-2), Norman Berletich (169, 5-10), Bob Middlebrook (155, 5-4), Don Phelps (175, 5-9), Bill Ritchey (190, 6-3), and Ray Higdon (170, 6-0).

Bob Phelps accounted for two touchdowns while operating on defense. He caught two passes running both back for TDs, one 67 yards and the other for 34 yards.

Illinois has had some great lines down through its illustrious football years. But the 1955 line must rank as the tops.

The Tigers' offensive attack was led by quarterback Al Duncan, halfbacks Paul Mehrig and Bob Benson, and fullback Milos Marijan. Duncan engineered the split-T and straight-T attack and was a constant passing threat. In Marijan, a 180-pound junior, the Tigers had an excellent kicker who kicked 19 out of 26 extra point attempts. He punted 16 times for 535 yards for an average of 33.4, which is very good for a high school kicker.

We feel that the 1955 ISD club was a better one than last year's National champion. We figure that from the number of boys ISD had on several All State selections. It had five boys on the little All State, and it never had more than one mention before and that was Jack Rampley. Those mentioned for all-star honors were Duncan, Middlebrook, Phelps, Mehring, and Berletich. Duncan was given Special Mention as quarterback on the Chicago American All State Team, and Phelps made the Little All-State first team.

The 1955 ISD record:

ISD	Opp.
26—Petersburg High School	0
20—Carrollton High School	7
40—Mt. Sterling High School	0
40—Staunton High School	19
33—Missouri School for Deaf	13
27—Ohio School for Deaf	12

14—Wisconsin School for Deaf	6
28—Dupe High School	6
7—Galva High School	14

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For the record, it was in 1928, only two years after the Tigers became members of the state association, that the Tigers under Coach S. Robey Burns went undefeated in the grid sport. However, this was a sort of fluke. Two of these victories came on forfeits when it was learned that two opponents had played boys over the age limit. These two schools were Waverly and Campaign, who had defeated ISD. The other six games were victories for the Tigers as follows: Illiopolis, 19-14; Pittsfield, 32-6; Wisconsin 33-0; Pawnee 49-13; Divernon, 32-0, and Jacksonville, 13-0.

Texas School for the Deaf, playing its fifth season under the directorship of our old friend, Raymond Butler, enjoyed its best record since the Lee Montez season of 1947, which sewed up a spotless nine-game card and is still rated the greatest school for the deaf eleven of all-time.

The Rangers wound up with nine wins and only one loss against the toughest competition in the southwestern part of the country. Butler's maiden year at Austin brought a 1-9-0 record.

McCay Vernon, TSD's tub thumper, has the low-down on Butler's 1955 squad as follows:

In a decade of coaching in schools for the deaf, Coach Ray Butler has had good years, bad years and fair years, but the 1955 edition of TSD's Rangers is by far the best. It isn't often that a school for the deaf will have the material together to fashion a winning streak of eleven games, nine of them in one season with only one loss, but that is what the Texas School for the Deaf did this year. Even more remarkable is the fact that the feat was accomplished in spite of the unfavorable age eligibility rule prevailing in Texas schools. A boy cannot play if he is 19 years old when the season opens.

The rugged 10-game schedule without an open date definitely was not one for patsies. The Rangers waded through it all and came out with one of the best records of any school for the deaf in the country . . .

The final game brought both sorrow and pride to Ranger followers. Sorrow came as they saw hopes of a perfect season and a district championship shattered. Pride was felt by all who watched the injured riddled, senior-studded squad give everything they had as it fought down to the very last minute in vain for the victory they wanted so badly. Sacred Heart's brilliant break-away backs looked like college players as they eluded the Rangers for three first half touchdowns. Those three touchdowns proved to be the margin of victory for the Indians as TSD matched them in the second half with 21 points.

Their only regret is the fact that the uncertain hand of fate, again for the second straight year, made them losers to the team that won the State Championship of the Southwest Academic League. The irony of this year's turn, however, was that Sacred Heart was admitted to the League just this year.

TSD was honored with four spots on the All-District first team and two on the second team.

Outstanding lineman, Jimmy Brookes, was named to the center position because of his great linebacking, Gary Coleman nailed down the right tackle post, and Jerrell Quinn the left end position. Sammy Oates was the choice of halfback by virtue of his all-round ability and clutch playing. The opposing coaches claimed that Jerry Smith was Oates' equal in most respects, but it was Sammy who always broke the backs of the opposition.

Smith, a freshman, made the second team along with Roger Spivey, who played a fine season at right guard. Both these boys almost made the first team, and they should be greater during the next two or three years that they have to play.

Jimmy Lee Brookes was the best guard Coach Butler has ever had on one of his teams. He was converted from quarterback of last year's team to left guard during the 1955 campaign and was an outstanding 60-minute player in all 10 games. On defense, he called signals, played linebacker, end, or in the line, wherever he could anticipate and stop a play by the opponents. He is a senior.

TSD had three fine ends who are also seniors. They are Veteran Charles Pinkard, Joe Cervenka, and Jerrell Quinn.

Now take a look at the 10-game record of TSD:

TSD	Opp.
46—Gatesville State School	0
13—Liberty Hill High School	0
32—Concordia High School	6
33—Arkansas School for Deaf	20
19—St. Mary's High School	13
27—Mississippi School for Deaf	7
12—St. Edward's High School	10
35—San Marcos Academy	7
14—Louisiana School for Deaf	0
21—Sacred Heart High School	42

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Well, that's the lowdown on the five finest school for the deaf elevens during the '55 campaign, and never before in 20 years have we seen so many fine ball clubs in one season.

And now for our head-scratching

contest as to who should be the National Champion for 1955. Naturally there were pros and cons for these five top clubs. If we were KING we would stage playoffs to determine the No. 1 aggregation for the 1957-International Games for the Deaf Fund.

But since we are no KING, there is only one thing to do in naming the National Champion for 1955.

In North Carolina's favor is the fact that it had the nation's most devastating ground attack.

In Alabama's favor is the fact that it had a vicious defense.

In Texas' favor is the fact that it played the most games and won the most games.

In New York's favor is the fact that it had a wealth of backfield talent, and that it hadn't punted in six contests.

And in Illinois' favor is the fact that it had swept its bench in practically every game.

Common foes for Alabama and Texas were Mississippi, Arkansas and Louisiana. The Warriors shut out Mississippi, 13-0; Louisiana, 20-0, and Arkansas, 14-0. The Rangers rallied to defeat Arkansas, 33-20, downed Mississippi, 27-7, and tagged Louisiana, 14-0.

Tennessee was common foe for Alabama and North Carolina. The Warriors also shut out Tennessee, 19-0, while the Bears were barely able to edge out Tennessee, 32-31, but that was played when North Carolina was without the services of its four star regulars, and Coach Akin's Vikings showed much improvement.

However, looking at the situation from every angle, it appears that Illi-

nois has a slight edge over the other four top teams. Experience, depth, and plenty of moxie are Illinois' strong points. The Tigers also had a flock of fine running backs and excellent deception by QB Al Duncan.

So it's Illinois again, National School for the Deaf Football Champion for 1955.

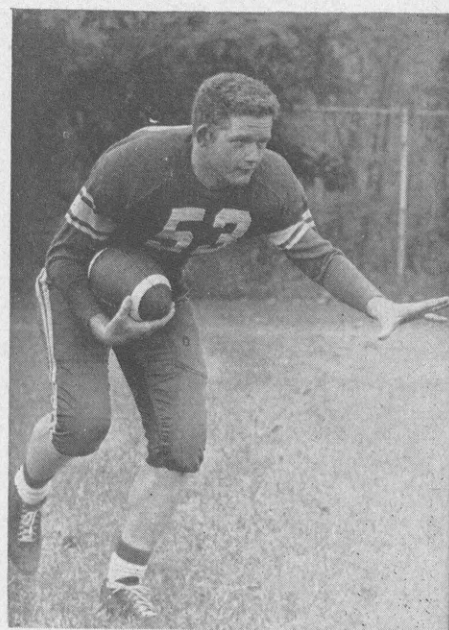
Ten top teams in the rankings are as follows:

1. ILLINOIS
2. ALABAMA
3. NORTH CAROLINA
4. TEXAS
5. NEW YORK
6. IOWA
7. WISCONSIN
8. MICHIGAN
9. TENNESSEE
10. CALIFORNIA

Iowa is rated the No. 6 club. Certainly a coincidence, if not an oddity, is the fact that its only two defeats were at the hands of Sioux City high school teams, namely: Leeds, 13-19, and Heelan 0-35. Heelan, by the way, was ranked 9th in the state with a 8-1-0 record. Halfback Jack Barron, a senior, and Quarterback Dennis Wernimont, a sophomore, headed Coach Lahn's Bobcats' running attack. Floyd Huffman was the outstanding lineman.

Virginia's 1955 season was filled with surprises. In the beginning it professed that it would be satisfied with four victories to show for nine games. This is in direct contrast to the 1954 prediction of an undefeated season. A coach will come up with an aggregation like the flawless 1954 Raiders perhaps once in 10 years, so when 13 of these gifted players are graduated, all 11 of the first string and two sterling substitutes, one cannot be blamed for exhibiting a premature crying towel. True to expectations, the Raiders dropped the first two contests, 0-26 and 0-7. They staged a brilliant comeback against West Virginia Lions, went on to lambast New Jersey and South Carolina, to tie Wilson Memorial high school and the Florida Dragons in the homecoming fracas, and to win the last two games easily. And that, suh, leaves Virginia flaunting a 5-2-2 record. Most of this success is owed to the rallying to form of Wallace Currier, a 185 pound sophomore fullback of cleated dynamite in his first year sporting the red and black varsity colors, and Charles Gill, 175 pounds of devastating tackle who was not good enough to make the starting line up last year, and to the superb coaching of veterans T. Carlton Lewellyn and his assistant, Jimmy Dilettoso.

Waldo Cordano's Wisconsin Hilltoppers failed in their bid to go through the season undefeated for the first time since 1931 when they lost to Illinois in heavy rain and on an ankle-deep muddy



Red-haired Walt Wheeler, the power-packed 175-pound senior fullback of Tennessee, who displayed greatness in his final game against North Carolina. In this thrilling skirmish, which Tennessee lost, 31-32, Walt led the Vikings in all scoring when he plunged for two TD's, passed for the other three, and kicked TSD's only extra point.

field at Delevan, 6-14, in their last game of the season.

Earl Roberts' Michigan Tartars lost only two games, each by just one point, to Wisconsin, 8-7, and Flint Northern High School, 7-6.

Other schools having excellent seasons were Tennessee, California, Colorado, Mississippi, and Missouri.

Joe Russell, Mississippi's 205 pound bruising fullback, who is considered one of the greatest high school athletes in the state, made a rushing average of 15.7 yards in 9 games in spite of the fact that the Bulldog line was the youngest, lightest and most inexperienced Cecil B. Davis has ever coached. The average age of the linemen is 15.6 years.

Missouri is building and it will be tough in the future. It had a fine tackle in Erman Eakinns, who carried the ball on a "left tackle around right end" hidden ball play 16 times for 291 yards and three touchdown runs of 68, 46 and 41 yards respectively.

The 1955 season saw 33 interschool for the deaf games, the highlight of which was the 32-31 win by North Carolina over Tennessee.

North Carolina was forced to come from behind, to keep its two-year string of victories going.

Coach Conley Akin's TSD Vikings scored two touchdowns in the first period, going for touchdowns the first two times they got the ball, but the North Carolina Bears came back to tie it up in the second quarter and went ahead with two touchdowns in the third quarter.

THE COVER

The photo on the cover was secured through the courtesy of *The New York Times*. It shows Paul Kennedy briefing his backfield aces — Quarterback Dominick Bonura (kneeling) and Fullback Jerry Berlowitz. They are the reason why their school chalked up its second straight flawless record.

The New York Golden Tornados, who didn't punt once all season and who last year weren't scored on in five games, posted six more victories during the '55 season with 249 points to 33 by opponents.

Kennedy, who himself is not deaf, is the winningest school for the deaf coach in the country. Head man at NYSD since the 1946 season, his teams there have a handsome 47-15-2 record for the ten-year span.

Berlowitz is the 1955 scoring champ of the nation. He grabbed top honors with 106 points, while Bonura is the single repeater from '54 on Kruger's 1955 All-America Team.

Big Walter Wheeler, the powerpacked 175-pound senior fullback, led the Vikings, scoring two touchdowns, on plunges of two and six yards, and passed for the other three. He kicked TSD's only extra point for good measure.

Below are results of 33 Interschool for the Deaf contests:

East

Fanwood 48, New Jersey 13
Fanwood 34, American 0
Virginia 13, West Virginia 12
Virginia 34, New Jersey* 6
American 14, West Virginia 7
New Jersey 16, American 14
West Virginia 32, Mt. Airy 6
Mt. Airy 42, New Jersey 27

Central

Kentucky 20, Ohio 13
Illinois 27, Ohio 12
Michigan 22, Ohio 7
Wisconsin 8, Michigan 7
Illinois 14, Wisconsin 7

Midwest

Minnesota 20, Kansas 13
Missouri 25, Kansas 13
Iowa 39, Kansas 0

Southeast

North Carolina 57, South Carolina 0
Florida 35, South Carolina 0
North Carolina 25, Florida 0
Alabama 19, Tennessee 0
North Carolina 32, Tennessee 31

Southwest

Texas 33, Arkansas 20
Texas 27, Mississippi 7
Mississippi 24, Louisiana 7
Texas 14, Louisiana 0

Intersectional

Alabama 20, Louisiana 0
Alabama 13, Mississippi 0
Alabama 14, Arkansas 0
Wisconsin 36, Minnesota 7
Illinois 33, Missouri 13
Virginia 40, South Carolina 0
Virginia 6, Florida 6 (tie)
Tennessee 25, Kentucky 6

The touchdowns tell that it's true what New Yorkers have been saying all season about Jerry Berlowit.

The Fanwood hardest driving 170-pound fullback was officially crowned 1955 school for the deaf football scoring champion through our service bureau statistics.

These figures showed that Berlowitz collected 106 points on 16 touchdowns and 10 conversions.

Defending champion Eddie Miller of North Carolina was the runner-up when he ran for 16 touchdowns and added 2 extra points for a 98-point total, which was made in first five games before he was taken out for the rest of the season with a fractured rib.

In three years at NCS D Eddie romped to 49 touchdowns and 13 extra points for 307 points, making him the highest scorer in the history of the school. He is a junior and has one more season to play, so watch him next year.

Wesley Hargraves, shifty and speedy 155-pound senior quarterback for the Arkansas Leopards, tallied 54 points in

first five games, but received an injury in the Texas game and couldn't play any more. With him Arkansas won the first four games, and Hargraves in the 5th game scored three touchdowns to give Arkansas a commanding 20-7 lead before Texas rallied to win, 33-20. Then without him Arkansas lost seven straight games.

Milos Marijan, a junior 180-pound fullback of Illinois, made the most conversions, when he tried 26 attempts and booted 19 for 73%.

The scoring leaders above the 40-point mark:

	G	TD	PAT	Pts.
Jerry Berlowitz, fb, N.Y.	6	16	10	106
Eddie Miller, hb, N.C.	5	16	2	98
Dominick Bonura, qb, N.Y.	6	13	4	82
Paul Mehring, hb, Ill.	9	13	0	78
Sammy Oates, qb, Tex.	10	12	6	78
Joe Russell, fb, Miss.	9	11	4	70
Tommy Lindsey, fb, N.C.	8	9	14	68
Charles Buemi, qb, W. Va.	8	11	2	68

Jack Clair, hb, Colo.	7	11	2	68
Walt Wheeler, qb, Tenn.	9	10	5	65
Jack Barren, hb, Iowa	7	10	5	65
James Styn, fb, Mich.	8	10	0	60
Maurice Mosley, qb, Calif.	8	9	6	60
Jerome Aregi, qb, Colo.	7	10	0	60
Roger Sellers, hb, Miss.	9	8	7	55
Wesley Hargraves, qb, Ark.	5	9	0	54
Jeerry Smith, hb, Tex.	10	8	5	53
Tony Kovacs, hb, Mich.	8	8	2	50
Dennis Wernimont, qb, Iowa	7	8	2	50
Bob Benson, hb, Ill.	9	7	1	43
James Poe, fb, Ark.	11	7	0	42
Glen Shriver, hb, Ind.	8	7	0	42
Lavery Killian, hb, Tenn.	9	7	0	42

One junior in the backfield, all seniors in the line, and only one repeater from '54 . . . That's Kruger's All-America outline for 1955.

Dom Bonura of New York is the single repeater from the 1954 dream eleven.

Take a look at our 20th All-America teams printed below.

Kruger's 20th All-America Team

Pos.	Player and School	Class	Age	Wt.	Ht.
E	Raymond Piper, Michigan	Sr.	17	200	6-3
E	Jose Gonzales, California	Sr.	18	155	5-9
T	Ollie La Fevers, Tennessee	Sr.	19	200	6-1
T	Erman Eaking, Missouri	Sr.	19	165	5-8
G	Jimmy Brookes, Texas	Sr.	18	155	5-8
G	Louis Cannon, Louisiana	Sr.	18	165	5-10
C	Bob Middlebrook, Illinois	Sr.	18	155	5-4
B	Al Duncan, Illinois	Sr.	18	180	5-7
B	Dominick Bonura, New York	Sr.	19	160	5-9
B	Eddie Miller, North Carolina	Jr.	18	155	5-9
B	Jack Barron, Iowa	Sr.	18	150	5-10
B	Boyce Crocker, Alabama	Sr.	19	200	6-1

Second Team

E	Stan Helgeson, Wisconsin	Jr.	18	200	6-4
E	Owen Bass, North Carolina	Sr.	19	175	6-3
T	Donald DuBois, Wisconsin	Sr.	19	190	5-10
T	Howard Carpenter, North Carolina	Sr.	19	180	5-10
G	Floyd Hoffman, Iowa	Sr.	19	155	5-10
G	Fred Markworth, Washington	Sr.	19	175	5-10
C	Don Phelps, Illinois	Jr.	17	175	5-9
B	Walt Wheeler, Tennessee	Sr.	19	175	5-10
B	Jerry Berlowitz, New York	Jr.	18	170	5-7
B	Sammy Oates, Texas	Soph.	16	195	5-10
B	Stan Rudnicki, American	Jr.	18	200	6-1
B	Joe Russell, Mississippi	Jr.	18	205	6-0

Third Team

E	Bill Zachariasen, Illinois	Jr.	17	210	6-1
E	Charles Pinkard, Texas	Sr.	18	160	6-0
T	Charles Gill, Virginia	Sr.	19	175	6-2
T	Bill Ritchey, Illinois	Sr.	18	190	6-3
G	Dee Haptonstall, Colorado	Jr.	17	175	6-0
G	Robert Hechbaum, Indiana	Jr.	17	170	5-10
C	Francis Oshman, Mt. Airy	Sr.	19	130	5-6
B	Maurice Mosley, California	Sr.	18	150	5-6
B	Jim Jordan, Alabama	Jr.	18	150	5-9
B	Roy Yokeley, North Carolina	Sr.	19	120	5-7
B	Wesley Hargraves, Arkansas	Sr.	19	155	5-7
B	Charles Buemi, West Virginia	Jr.	18	170	6-0

SPECIAL MENTION: Jack Clair, 175 lb, jr. hb, Colo.; Wallace Currier, 185, soph fb, Va.; Dale Johnson 220 t, Minn.; Dennies Wernimont, 160, qb, Iowa; Paul Mehring, 165, hb, Ill.; Odis Tucker, 195, e, Ala.; Franklin Brown, 170, c, N.C.; Norman Berletich, 160, g, Ill.; and Jerry Smith, freshman back of Texas.

HONORABLE MENTION to departing seniors: Bob Ward, t., Ark.; Leon Laster, hb, Ark.; John Tingley, hb, Calif.; Bob Amundsen, 200 fb, Wash.; Earl Manteeth, 195, fb, Kan.; John Bailey, e, Tenn.; Billie Lawson, hb, Tenn.; Ray Appin, hb, Fla.; Brooks Blankenship, e, Ga.; Sydney Le Jeune, t, La.; Ross Smith, fb, Wisc.; Glen Shriver, hb, Ind.; Donald Wetzel, fb, Mt. Airy; Bob Beal, e, Iowa; Kent Kischer, t, Iowa; Herman Spencer, g, N.C.; and senior linemen of Texas — Joe Cervinka, e; Jerrell Quinn, e; Gary Coleman, t; Curtis Robinson, t, and Willis Qualls, g.

Sports In Brief . . .

Helen Thomas, the 15-year-old Los Angeles deaf girl who won the women's North American clay target championship in Vandalia, Ohio, last August 24, had her second national title four days later, the women's doubles championship.

Helen won the doubles title in the trapshoot by breaking 82 out of 100 targets. In doubles, two targets are thrown simultaneously at a 40-degree angle. The shooter fires at each target separately.

Helen is a ninth grader at Foshay Junior High School, in Los Angeles, Calif., which has a special class for the deaf.

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According to an APP release from Milan, Italy, Mario D'Agata of Italy became bantamweight boxing champion of Europe last October 30 with a fifth-round technical knockout of France's Andre Valignat and his fists wrote the happiest chapter yet in a Cinderella story rarely equalled in sport.

D'Agata was born deaf, one of three deaf in a family of seven children born to normal parents.

In the hill town of Arezzo, D'Agata stubbornly refused to surrender to his affliction. He went to a school for the deaf.

A few months before he won his recent European title, tragedy struck at D'Agata. During an argument over a laundry they owned, his hot-tempered business partner whipped out a shotgun and riddled D'Agata's stomach.

Yet he recovered fully and won this coveted title.

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Steve Kugel of Gallaudet College was first to cross the finish line in the Mason-Dixon Conference cross country championship with a timing of 13 minutes, 57.7 seconds, but Roanoke College harriers came home second, third, fourth and seventh to assure them of another crown with a low score of 26. The race was held at Bridgewater, Va., last November 19.

Because of snow the race was run over an all macadam course of 2½ to 3 miles instead of the regular macadam, dirt, grass and cinder track measuring 3¾ miles.

Bridgewater College finished second in the team standing but wasn't close with 57 points. Trailing in order were Catholic University, 91; Johns Hopkins University, 142; Gallaudet College, 167; Hamden-Sidney College, 183; Loyola University of Baltimore, 212; Towson Teachers College, 212; Washington College, 231; and Mount St. Mary's College, 247. American University had only four runners finishing the race and didn't score.

QUESTIONS AND OPINIONS

on

Parliamentary Procedure

By Edwin M. Hazel

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February, 1956

Q. Should the hour for a meeting be provided for in a by-law?

A. No. Only in a standing rule.

Q. Without a provision on discipline in the bylaws of a club, has the club any right to expell a member who may refuse to testify?

A. Yes.

Q. Is it the duty of members to abide by the rules of the Association and to avoid criticising outside of the meetings? — JMcD

A. This question is really two questions in one: i.e. —

Q. (a) Is it the duty of members to abide by the rules of their organization?

A. In general YES. The rules of an organization form a contract between the members. However, since public law outranks private law, the members are not bound by a rule which is in violation of public law. Where a member is in doubt, he may consult an attorney, even if the lawyer is not a member. In general a member should observe the rules of his organization or resign.

Q. (b) Is it the duty of a member to avoid criticizing a rule or rules of his organization?

A. In general NO, provided the criticism is constructive. However, there are proper and improper ways of making even constructive criticisms. To disrupt a meeting by making derogatory remarks is absurd and should be condemned. To secure the floor properly and to move at the proper time to "Reconsider," to "Rescind," or "Amend" may be very desirable, but would be criticizing a decision of the assembly. Two or more members may discuss, outside of official meetings, the problems of their organization before or during action on the problem confronting the organization. Such a discussion is almost sure to involve examination and evaluation of the past. Such discussion is usually advisable before the matters are presented to a meeting for a vote, e.g.; resolutions, amendments to bylaws. Democracy demands a high degree of "freedom of speech."

Q. Suppose a member is not loyal to his association or tries to cause new changes which are not in accordance with the spirit of the association. What happens?

A. Progress demands changes. To secure wise changes, it is desirable that members be encouraged to think and to express their ideas. It is to be expected that many of the ideas advanced will be found undesirable but to label a member as disloyal simply because he advances an unpopular idea is extremely dangerous. BUT, after an adjournment of a meeting, it is the duty of the defeated party to acquiesce in the decision of the majority and refrain from further criticism. They have no right

to talk outside in a way which would interfere with the carrying out of the policy adopted. Such action would make them liable to having charges preferred against them for their improper conduct, according to Robert's Rules of Order and many other authors on parliamentary law.

Q. Suppose an emergency arises on a legal matter. May the board discuss and decide action on the matter by telephone, telegraph or mail if necessary? — Club member

A. Votes by telephone, telegram, or mail would not render the action legal. The board must convene before the business may be legally transacted, and then it may be required that they call a special meeting of the club. If the latter is impossible due to lack of a quorum, ratification (legalizing) of the board's action may be made at the next regular meeting unless it is in violation of the bylaws of the club. It depends on the bylaws as to what the board may do in case of emergency. Board action would become null and void if adopted in violation of the rules.

Q. May a member speak against a candidate for an office of the organization during a meeting? — Mrs. C

A. Yes, but in most organizations it would be considered very poor taste. It is out of order to arraign the motives of a member. It is almost always best to confine public remarks in favor of the candidate one favors, rather than criticize his opponent.

Q. Suppose a presiding officer feels that a motion offered by a member is in poor taste or should not be entertained (received). The motion is seconded. Is there anything the Chair can do about it?

A. Yes, the Chair may ask the assembly, "Shall this question be discussed?" The assembly then votes on the Chair's question. The question requires a 2/3 vote in the negative to suppress the original motion.

Q. An amendment to a motion was submitted and a member arose to a point of order that the amendment was not germane (not related to the motion). Some members insisted it was and the Chair was unable to decide. How could the question be settled?

A. The Chair should submit the matter to the assembly to decide by vote, handling the procedure in the same manner as an appeal from the Chair's decision.

With the Foreign Deaf . . .

The corner stone of the Helen Keller Home for Jewish Deaf in Tel Aviv, Israel, was laid on a lot on St. Marcus Avenue, donated by the city.

In European countries the students of institutions for the deaf are not taught trades in their schools. Instead, they become apprentices in the shops of tradesmen. Where the institutions are unable to board them, the apprentices find board and lodging outside.

A number of years ago Rev. Tegtmeier, a Lutheran minister for the deaf of Hildesheim, Germany, established a home for the deaf apprentices, which he named St. Lamberti. This year the large number of children of pre-school age caused Rev. Tegtmeier to collect funds for a new kindergarten as an addition to St. Lamberti. This was opened on Sept. 20 with 25 kindergarten pupils on the first floor and sleeping quarters for 22 apprentices on the second floor.

In a recent issue of the French *Gazette des Sourds-Muets* we find two contributions by Oscar Mather, one an article about the Norwegian magazine *Tegn og Tale*, published under the auspices of the Norwegian Association of the Deaf, and a biographical sketch of Rolf Spilling, whom he had first met at Schlesweg.

The August number of *The Deaf in India*, edited by Dr. Banerji general secretary of the National Society of Teachers of the Deaf, and factual head of the school system for the deaf of that country, contains a series of reprints from *THE SILENT WORKER* of October 1954, and a brief history of the education of the deaf in India.

A new church for the deaf in the south section of London has just been built to replace St. Bede's Church, which was destroyed in the bombing of London in 1944.

After a lapse of a number of years the German calendar for the deaf issued by Ernst Barth of Hamburg has made its reappearance. The publication of such a fine calendar in the U. S., sponsored by the N.A.D. and the N.F.S.D., suggests itself to the writer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendling of Hagenan, Alsace-Lorane, celebrated their 25th anniversary as dentists last July. They have one son, who is an officer in the French army in Somaliland, Africa. Mr. Wendling is deaf, while his wife is a hearing woman. She frequently serves as an interpreter for the French deaf.

It has been announced that the next International Games for the Deaf will be held at Rome, Italy, in 1957 from the 28th to the 30th of August. As the days are generally very hot at this time of year, the contests will be held late in

the afternoon and at night under Kleig lights.

At the shooting contests of the sports club at St. Sebastian, near Koblenz, a deaf man was crowned king of the best shot of the large number of sportsmen taking part.

The deaf of Hessia celebrated the 175th anniversary of the birth of Hugo van Schutz of Camberg, the deaf founder of the school of Camberg in 1817. He was the oldest son of a family of 22 children, four of whom were deaf. At the age of ten, he was sent to the school for the deaf at Vienna. Upon his return, he taught one of his brothers and a boy in the neighborhood, and founded the school at Camberg.

The *Deutsche Gehorlosen Zeitung* published a supplement giving data about the sports clubs of West Germany. There are in all 44 such clubs with a membership of 1766. The largest club is the swimming club of Berlin deaf with a membership of 265, 187 of whom are over 18 years of age. The second largest club is that of Hamburg, with 156 members, of whom 108 are over 18 years of age. Munich and Nuremberg follow with 79 deaf members each. The next largest club is the Berlin club, "Comet," consisting of 77 partially deaf members.

Five clubs had not reported and passive members were not included. With these the number should be over 2,000.

Rolf Spilling, librarian at the University of Halle, East Germany, is perhaps the greatest deaf linguist in the world. He was born at Halle on October 16, 1903, the oldest son of a lawyer. Almost totally deaf from birth, he was given instruction in speech by a teacher of the school for the deaf at Halle and later sent to the school at Charlattenburg, Berlin. Here an older pupil at the school taught him Latin. After the outbreak of the First World War, he was taught German, Latin, geography, and mathematics.

When he was 13, he was taught Polish by a Polish war prisoner whom his father had brought home from the war. Later while vacationing in West Prussia he met three Russian war prisoners who taught him the Russian language. He was put to work at gardening at his home but did not like this work, and spent all his spare time studying languages. He thus acquired a knowledge of Greek, Hebrew, Hindustani, Arabian, Turkish (in the old Arabic and the new Latin script), Persian, Chinese, Japanese, and Hungarian. Most of all, he loved the other oriental languages and scripts, Eskimo, Indian, and Negro languages. He knows all the European languages.

He therefore may be regarded as the greatest of all known deaf linguists and perhaps the equal of any hearing linguist. He studied French and English at Halle in 1927 and in 1929 took an examination at the University of Berlin with the intention of getting his Ph.D. and taking up library work.

From 1929 to 1933 he studied the Slavonic languages at Berlin. Unfortunately, the bombing of Berlin put an end to his studies for the degree. In 1939, Spilling worked without salary as a proofreader in two book publishing houses for a time and then in the government printing office at Berlin until 1944. He then worked in the library at the University at Halle for a few months, and later at the Antignarian Institute as a scientific assistant. Losing his position there, due to post-war changes, he worked as a translator. While engaged in writing a Russian-German and German-Russian dictionary for a publishing firm at Halle, the Russian government seized the plant and he took a position as an inspector at a paper factory. In July, 1951, Spilling secured employment as a translator in the University at Halle. He was obliged to give up this position and flee to West Germany in September, 1954. He has since been reinstated in his position at Halle.

Spilling's collection of dictionaries and readers in innumerable languages is remarkable. In this collection there is even the larger Chinese-German dictionary, which is perhaps no longer to be found in German bookstores. His library was partly destroyed by bombs in Berlin and Halle.

At the last annual convention of tailors in Munich, Alois Frey, a deaf tailor of Nuremberg won the first prize for a lady's costume and the second prize for a combination man's.

A high school for the deaf has been established at Wuppertal, Germany.

The German publishers Graefe and Unzer, Bad Weisser on the Tegern Lake, have published a book of German poems entitled "Mein Koenigsberg," written by the deaf poet, Walter Scheffler. It is highly commended by the publishers of the German *Gehorlosen Zeitung*.

The *Gehorlosen Zeitung* tells of a discovery of a cure for the common cold by Dr. Joseph Klosa, a German deaf chemist who lost his hearing at the age of 17 from spinal meningitis caused by a severe cold after a football game. At that time he vowed he would try to find a cure for a cold in the head. In the 16 years since, Dr. Klosa has patented 30 different remedies and he has written a number of pharmaceutical books. Suffering with a cold, he tried a remedy for cramps and in two hours he found relief. Trying the remedy with 30 patients at the hospital, he found it cured 30 cases of head colds.

Schools for the Deaf

R. K. Holcomb

The Alexander Graham Bell School

Cleveland, Ohio

By Mrs. Eunice L. Henrichs, Principal

Introduction

Cleveland Public Schools rank high among the educational systems of this country. The special education section under the sympathetic and able direction of Assistant Superintendent, John E. Fintz, serves well the need of exceptional children from the mentally defective to the major work pupils. Among these atypical children, the deaf are perhaps the most difficult group to reach educationally, for they are isolated from the world by their inability to communicate and by their insulation from the world of sound.

Isolation of Deaf from Sound

Think how sound is interwoven with the fabric of daily life! We are roused by the alarm clock, we hear in season the cheery songs of birds. Family gatherings, the sound of door bell and telephone, call us to contact with our fellows. The roar of traffic, the screech of sirens, the warning blast of an auto horn, all the background noises that we accept as part of daily living are lost to the deaf.

It is for these, then, that education must begin early, and communication be established by visual, tactile, rhythmic, kinesthetic, and yet, auditory methods. For new electronics with powerful amplification, may bring sound even if not speech to those with the merest fragments of hearing. And this auditory training combined with other pathways to communication increases preception over years of training.

Discovering the Hearing-Impaired

How does Cleveland find its hearing-handicapped? Public education over radio and T.V., demonstrations at school to interpret the program to parents, nurses, and college students stress the importance of early detection and training of these children. A technician visits every school each year, gives a sweep check test on an individual audiometer to third and sixth grade pupils — the latter before they enter junior high. Principals, teachers, school nurses, and doctors list hearing-suspect cases to be referred to Alexander Graham Bell School.

Clinic

Three mornings weekly, an ear specialist holds clinic at Alexander Graham Bell. Private and parochial schools are also served. The otological nurse gets the all-important case history from the parent who is required to attend. She gives a comprehensive test on all frequencies and intensities provided by an up-to-date instrument. The result of the decibels of loss is converted by her to the percent of residual hearing by means of a table weighted on the frequencies important in the speech range. This table is devised by the otologist, Dr. C. E. Kinney, and is comparable to the one used by the American Medical Association.

Grouping by the Otologist

The otologist completes the examination, advises surgical or medical measures necessary, and recommends placement as follows according to *residual* hearing:

Group I — 30% or less which signifies no hearing for speech — to A. G. Bell.

Group II — 31% to 50% — to Conservation of Hearing Centers, with much auditory training on a group aid (powerful group aid).

Group III — 51% to 70% — to Conservation of Hearing Centers, with less auditory training.

Group IV — 71% to 85% — help in speech and lip-reading from an itinerant and therapist at a regular school.

Group V — Unilaterals — no special measures needed, save the direction that the child sit with good ear to the room, and the poor ear to the wall.

Beginning of the Education of the Deaf in Cleveland

As far back as 1893, the Cleveland Board of Education set up two classes for the deaf in the old Rockwell Street administration building. In a few years it moved to a large brick residence at 1304 Willson Avenue. A building erected for the sole purpose of educating the deaf was opened next door in 1914. Today, this school has an enrollment of 136 pupils, 19 teachers, principal, secretary, nurse, and otologist. Little children of three are entered in nursery I since 1940, in a movement now widespread to utilize the early years of their lives. Until 1939, seriously-impaired hearing pupils were also trained at A. G. Bell. Since the deaf at our school have no language or speech when they come to us, they are trained as before noted by the special methods. Very hard of hearing children *have* language and communication, albeit not perfect.

Establishment of Hearing Conservation Centers

In 1939 Mr. Fintz, Dr. Kinney, and Mr. W. J. Finch, then principal, set up hearing conservation centers in north, south and west sections of the city. Here, the pupils with residual hearing are enrolled in a home-room with a specially trained teacher. She gives them auditory training, speech improvement, lip-reading, and tutoring. This is done in small groups on their various

Below, left, individual speech instruction at Alexander Graham Bell School. Right, first nursery class of three-year-olds. The word they are lipreading is "lamb."





Left, a class in imitative speech. Transparent head in background is the "speechmaster." Right, teacher plays a record in speech class.

grade levels. They receive all their other subjects in regular hearing classes with normal pupils. They are challenged by the hearing pupils, and exposed to the speech pattern of normal hearing children. These centers are part of the Cleveland hearing program, and are supervised by the principal of A. G. Bell. Pupils have the use of a powerful group hearing aid in the conservation centers, and almost all of them use wearable hearing aids as they participate in the hearing classrooms. The three centers have an average enrollment of 60 pupils, thus making the total number of cases in the hearing program 196.

Nurseries at Alexander Graham Bell School

Since children should be talking at three years of age, children in Group I may enter A. G. Bell at that time if they are toilet trained and have an intelligence quotient of at least 70 on a performance test given by a board of education psychologist. Social adjustment, free play, supervised play, sense training, washing, toileting, napping, eating, and beginning speech-reading and imitative speech are begun. Two experienced teachers work with these littlest ones, one of them giving individual periods of lip-reading and imitative speech. This work is continued with four-year-olds in Nursery II. and the children progress further in the two pre-primary classes.

Program Continues Through the Ninth Grade

At A. G. Bell, pupils advance through six elementary and three junior high school grades. They are then eligible if they have the native ability and capacity for hard work to enter the tenth grade of a hearing high school. Texts, courses of study, manuals, work sheets in math and reading are supplied by the board of education. The varied techniques, equipment, and the fruit of the experienced supervisors, principals and teachers is made available and used or

adapted at A. G. Bell. Speech and speech-reading are continued at all levels.

Equipment for Teaching Speech

Three large, new, electronic group hearing aids serve the speech teachers, as well as four desk aids for individual work with little ones. A lucite head "SPEECHMASTER" is used with levers controlling a sponge rubber tongue to aid pupils to master sounds that are not visible. The Mothers Oral Club, jointly with the board of education, purchased a Chromovox this year, which shows reels of words with pictures, babbling syllables, and also lights up a blue disk for breath, a red for voiced, and a brown for nasal sound.

The Northampton charts are a great help. They show a column of consonants that are breath sounds, a corresponding column for voiced sounds, and one for the nasal. The vowel chart presents the vowel according to position with secondary spellings added. These charts are of great value in speech and spelling.

Abilities and Disabilities of Pupils

Pupils have marked individual differences as do hearing pupils. They differ in ability to learn math, lip-reading, social studies, or speech, for example. Some have been brain-damaged by severe fevers or congenital causes. Some have poor vision, many are multiple-handicapped pupils. The new antibiotics save meningitic, polio, and other cases who used to die. Today, perceptive deafness is the rule rather than the exception, not only at A. G. Bell, but also in the hearing conservation centers. This is due to the better control today of the cause of conductive deafness, namely the infectious diseases of childhood, and the vigilance of the otologist in watching and following up otitis media cases.

Language Always a Problem

Straight language is always a problem for the deaf. We recommend that parents always talk to their children

about their clothing, toys, and experiences. Many excursions and experiences are planned and the language is then given to the children in experience charts. In the lower grades the Barry five-slate system is used.

Science

The science department has a well equipped room with a demonstration table that has water, gas, and electricity. The Panhellenic Society of greater Cleveland contributed many pieces of equipment.

Shop - Work

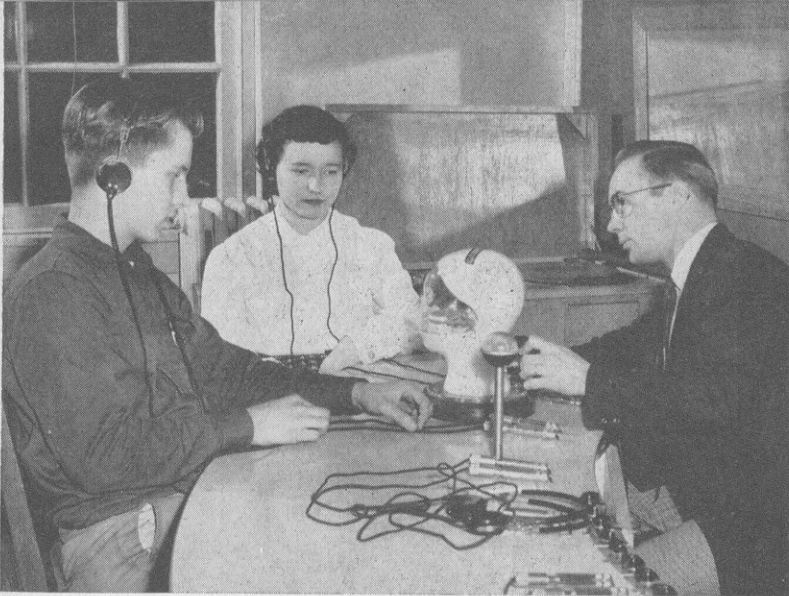
The boys begin simple shop work in the third grade and continue through the ninth grade to making articles of furniture and metal work. They also have mechanical drawing. In the print shop their work is highly functional. They do all the printing of special office forms, school stationery, programs, tickets for the mothers club, forms for the doctor in the clinic.

Auditorium — Multipurpose Room

In the dual purpose auditorium and gymnasium physical education classes are held. Two hundred movable chairs may be set up facing a large stage, with velvet curtains, gift of the mothers oral club. Here, meetings are held, movies are shown, closing exercises are given, and many demonstrations are held for the nurses, P.T.A. council, students in education and psychology, and numerous visitors from home and abroad. They get a first hand interpretation of our work. Classes in rhythm are also taught here, and the rhythm work is used in speech and accent work. The children learn folk and square dancing to music. At the junior high parties, some will jitter-bug to records played through a loud speaker, feeling the vibration through the floor boards.

The Deaf are Good Workers and Citizens

The training of little deaf children at three takes advantage of their important formative years and helps progress through the school years. Deaf chil-



Left, junior high school pupils using one of the "speechmasters" at the school. Right, third graders learn to make the "ch" sound.

dren should never be compared, however, in progress with their hearing competitors who have the advantage of constant communication all their waking hours. The motor and manual skills are those in which most deaf excell. Our survey shows that 20 percent of A. G. Bell graduates finished hearing high school. The other found work in Cleveland's diversified industries in skilled or semi-skilled work. With exception of a very few, with unfortunate endowment and environment, graduates were steady reliable workers and good citizens. We have with us the second generation of children of some of our former pupils who are happily received in our school family.

Reunions

Beginning in 1932, the author initiated an annual reunion. It has been gratifying indeed to have it so well attended each year from upward of 100 to 155 in attendance. Prizes are awarded, refreshments served, new graduates are presented, and a general visiting and catching up on news of classmates and teachers ensues.

Teacher Personnel

Of the nineteen teachers here, all but a few have degrees; a number of them have their masters. The few who have not their first degree are well on their way to attain them. Five have service records of at least 30 years. The only deaf teacher is the shop teacher, who is a graduate of A. G. Bell, of East Technical High, and who received his B.A. degree from Western Reserve University.

Personal Mention

R— was graduated in 1936. She went on to private high school, was voted the most popular girl in her class at college, married a hearing State University graduate, and has four beautiful normal children. She has good speech, and is a fine lip-reader. Several teachers visiting her in a new home, designed and decorated according to her

plans and taste, declare the home is like one taken from *House Beautiful*.

C— was graduated from A. G. Bell, East Technical High and a State University. She taught domestic science at A. G. Bell and then resigned to marry a hearing man, has four fine children, is active in P.T.A. and other organizations.

J— is a chemist. A— grinds lenses. W— does mechanical dentistry. B— does such good work in drafting, that the boss said to his East Tech principal, who has had many of our boys, "Send me more workers like him." L— has his own sign-painting shop. Many boys and girls . . . former pupils . . . are earning good wages in Cleveland factories. I— won a TV audition for her ball-room dancing, and has a fine job in an industrial concern in charge of accounts payable. Her employer rates her a fast and versatile worker on a key-punching machine.

Of course, A. G. Bell is not a neighborhood school, and has highly specialized services. Pupils come from 15 suburbs of greater Cleveland. Some A. G. Bell graduates who graduated from a suburban high school; some from private or business schools. At present, two are in Lutheran High School, and one in business college. Last year M— completed the ninth grade at the age of 14, having been totally deafened by meningitis at the age of 7 months. He is attending a suburban high school of high standards. Another lad, just 17, goes to a fine suburban high school. But J— a girl only 16 with her parents' permission married last summer and lives in a neighboring state!

Fourteenth Triennial Convention of

The Kansas Association of the Deaf at
JAYHAWK HOTEL, TOPEKA, KANSAS

August 17, 18, 19, 1956

JOE N. MALM, Chairman
1034 Washburn, Topeka, Kansas

Principal

The principal of A. G. Bell, supervising also the hearing conservation centers, born and reared and educated in Cleveland. She holds a life elementary, a life high school, and a Type A certificate from the Conference of Executives of the Deaf. Junior High teacher at A. G. Bell in 1923, she was appointed principal February 1, 1945. She is past president of the National Association of Day School Teachers of the Deaf, past president of the greater Cleveland chapter of the I.C.E.C., and is now on the State Governing Board of that organization. For years, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center, and is now on their governing board. She has attended conventions of the I.C.E.C., the conventions of the Executives of the Deaf, and the Alexander Graham Bell Association of the Deaf. In the latter organization, she is a member of the Auxiliary Board and attends meetings of the Volta Bureau in Washington. She appeared on Dr. Elstad's panel at the convention of the American Instructors of the Deaf in Jacksonville, Illinois in June 1949, and presented a paper on *The Nursery in the Day School* at the Chicago Convention of the I.C.E.C. in March, 1950. She read a paper *The Day School in a Large City* at the convention of the Alexander Graham Bell Association of the Deaf in June 1954. She holds the B.S. and M.A. degrees in education from Western Reserve University in Cleveland. Convention papers, a survey of graduates, and review of handicapped pupils have appeared in the *Journal for Exceptional Children* and the *Volta Review*. She is intensely interested in the education of the hearing handicapped and brings enthusiasm and zeal to her work.

The Educational Front and Parents' Department

By W. T. Griffing, Editor

Howdy, folks! We will hold off for a minute in order to give you time and opportunity to make a dash to the medicine cabinet for your favorite bottle of pain-killer, such as Tom Sawyer had to take, for here we come armed with



W. T. GRIFFING

our battered and tattered three R's, ready to do battle with whatever chances to cross our path, no, mind. We are sorry indeed to let you in for all this, but the editor is yelling for copy at the top of his lungs, very healthy ones at that.

It must be a foregone conclusion by now that this department completely missed the boat the last issue of the *WORKER*. We confess that we did hear the warning blast of the skipper's whistle; our hearing aid was in the dumps, as were we, thus you were mercifully denied some scintillating news on education.

BBB actually wrote us a polite note to tell us we had completely flunked his course in deadlines. He went on to chide us politely, thus here we sit a much chastised person whom you may not like at all. We are not so certain we will, either.

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We think the deaf, as a whole, fared unusually well in the year 1955. True, quite a few incidents came up to make us see red but they were not so numerous that we could not keep our sense of values. We have a great deal to be thankful for, and a great deal more to look forward to.

Out of the famed Mayo Clinic comes the statement by Dr. LeRoy Hedgecock, the audiologist in the Section of Otolaryngology and Rhinology, to the effect that he is convinced the use of signs have an appropriate place as communicative tools for the deaf. It is not often that men high up in prominent clinics come out with such an assertion, thus we should appreciate it, and Dr. Hedgecock, all the more.

Dr. Harry Best is another learned man who understands the deaf and does not hesitate to stand up for them and their language.

We could use a thousand more of their type. Why don't we unearth them?

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This happened at a club of the deaf. We were introduced to a young man who was standing around with the look of a lost puppy on his face. He is a graduate of a well-known midwest oral school, and his father is a wealthy

banker. The parents of this boy did not want him to associate with the deaf or to attend a residential school because of their horror at the thought of him learning to talk on his hands.

This young man aroused our pity. He was lost in the company of hearing persons. He was trying hard to adjust himself in a new world, his world, if you ask us. We were told that his parents were really concerned by his listless attitude and his unhappiness with life. They objected not at all when a friend suggested that he associate with the deaf at their club meetings, et al.

This is an old story. You have heard one just like it many times in the past, and you will run across others in the years to come. Some parents simply cannot understand that the deaf have a hankering for an independent life with their own people, the deaf.

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At the Oklahoma Education Association convention several teachers of special education in the public schools remarked that they wished the parents of some pupils they were trying to teach would agree to send them to the school at Sulphur where they belonged. They felt they were not in a position to help these children progress as they should. The only thing that kept them in the special classes was the fact the parents refused to recognize deafness for what it really is.

The frankness of these teachers is a credit to the profession. If all others were as clear in their thinking our problems would be few and far between.

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We have pleasant memories of the NAD convention at Cincinnati last summer. We can still see Dr. Elwood Stevenson, just finishing his speech, receive a standing ovation from the thousands he had just hauled over the coals.

He told us, in effect, that we had no right to expect the NAD to perform miracles while being fed mere crumbs from the table; that if the NAD is ever to be the effective machine it has a right to be, the deaf must start feeding it whole loaves with no let up throughout the years to come.

If you think as Dr. Stevenson does, well, there is that Dollar-a-Month club for you to show your belief in the NAD and the people it so wants to serve.

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Quite interesting was an article appearing in *Better Homes and Gardens* by Vincent De Pasquale, a high school principal, who has instituted what he calls a nongraded system in twenty-three grade schools. In these schools

the division lies not in grades, but in years; no child fails because there are no promotions or demotions — each one proceeds at his natural pace, taking up each year where he left off. The system seems to work effectively for the fast learner as well as the slow, and it is said that there has been a marked decrease in drop-outs, frustration, maladjustment, and delinquency.

We imagine educators will watch this experiment with more than just passing interest. It may be what our schools have needed for so long.

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It is our conviction that the problems of schools in general are not simply a matter of spending more money for bricks, mortar and teacher payrolls. It is obvious that present day teaching methods are coming in for a great deal of critical scrutiny because of the fads and frills angle that has been injected into the system.

But there is a question whether the shortcomings of the pupils are the result of present teaching methods or the present teaching methods are evolved out of a need to accommodate a lower average mentality.

Compulsory education laws, in some instances, make it necessary for the schools to harbor every child up to a certain age regardless of whether he is mentally capable of absorbing instruction. Child labor laws and the spread of industrial mechanization have made it difficult for untrained youngsters to obtain employment. Here our schools are better off because of our vocational training course, still the problem of keeping pace with progress in machinery and methods is something else again.

Our schools now operate in part as juvenile institutions. By our schools we mean all schools. They are keeping uneducable youngsters off the streets. Eventually the schools will have to devise some way of separating their uneducables. It is an obvious waste of money to allow education to sink to the lowest common denominator of intelligence.

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Dr. Irving S. Fushfeld of Gallaudet College is in charge of the vocational survey that you read about in the *WORKER*. He is the right man for that all-important task, yet he will not be able to accomplish anything unless he receives the wholehearted cooperation of the deaf.

You may be asked questions that seem foolish. But they are not. Each one has a definite purpose, so if you will but answer them truthfully and cooperatively, you will be doing yourself and other deaf persons a good turn.

When these questionnaires have been compiled and analyzed, out of them may

come a better vocational era for the deaf workers.

Just remember that your cooperation is all that is needed, so be a good Joe should you be asked to fill in one in the near future.

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We think we have come far enough this time. There is that all-important football game coming up on TV. We are going to enjoy our 50-yard-line seat in front of the screen, and we will be tickled pink the rest of the year should the Sooners win over Maryland. If they lose, look for a lot of sour lemon in this department in 1956! (*They won! Hooray!—Ed.*) Be good, all of you. We will try to practice what we preach. Thanks for coming so far with *WTC*

A New Book

The newest book on the deaf, covering numerous phases of the problems they encounter in education and in adult life, is soon to be published by the International Universities Press, 227 West 13th Street, New York, N. Y. The author is Steven Getz, Ph.D., Psychologist-Audiologist at the California School for the Deaf, Berkeley, California.

Entitled, *Environment and the Deaf Child*, the book opens with the statement, "The field of the education of the deaf is a battle ground," and it goes on into a discussion of numerous controversial issues well known to all who work with the deaf which have never been substantiated on either side by research studies or statistical data. Dr. Getz has brought together a considerable amount of authoritative opinion on these issues and he completes his study of each phase with certain conclusions, wherein his "criterion of value" is *personal adjustment* for the deaf child.

For example, Dr. Getz asks, "What is the relative value to the deaf individual of his being proficient in speech and speech reading skill and/or in the manual methods of communication?" In looking for the answer he asks first for the criterion of value. "Do we mean the value (1) of reassuring the parents, (2) of educating the child so that he can express himself in at least some universal form, *i.e.* reading and writing, or (3) of providing the child with the experiences and tools by which he can establish and maintain a satisfactory condition of personal adjustment and happiness?"

Some of the topics in the book are environmental conditions, age at entering school, ability to communicate, vocational achievement, social maturity, and intellectual functioning. Bibliographical data at the end of each chapter comprise what is probably the most exhaustive list of reference matter on the deaf available from one source at this time.



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By Marcus L. Kenner

*"Those that Say and Do, are Good, we say;
Those that Do but Say not, Great, we call;
Tell, O Fount of Virtue, what are they
That while Saying much Do naught at all?"*

Starting at the time of the ancient Greek Olympic Games in 776 B.C., and with the inauguration in 1896 of the modern, International Olympics, better international understanding through the universal medium of sports has been fostered. Sports teach good human relations. How are our own relations with the deaf of Europe? Rare, medium, or well done? Shouldn't we try to develop a greater *en rapport* with the deaf residing across the Big Pond? Note that the response to my request at the NAD Cincy Convention last summer for cooperation with the "World Federation of the Deaf" was practically nil; also the representation of our athletes at Brussels, Belgium, in 1953, was pitifully little and too late.

Now comes the 8th International Games of the Deaf to be held in Rome, Italy, August 25-30, 1957. To assure a larger and truly representative delegation of American athletes, a national drive for \$25,000 has been started. Not being a Government subsidized venture, our individual help is necessary. Do send your contribution to Treasurer, Alexander Flieschman, 8629 Piney Branch Road, Silver Springs, Maryland. Just *rooting* without *contributing* will score no results, you know.

Incidentally, there is every indication that Gallaudet College will be able to act as "host" for the 10th International Games of the Deaf in 1965, as its new plant will be completed in 1964!

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Meet Miss Asterid Erickson of Stockholm, Sweden. We had the pleasure of entertaining her as our house-guest for 2 months, during which time she endeared herself to all by her native charm and intelligence. She's hard of hearing, but quite proficient at signs, being the daughter of deaf parents. New Yorkers were sorry to see her return for home last December. Those planning to attend the 1957 Olympics, Rome, Italy, will have an opportunity to meet Astrid and her sister, Ann-Britt, there.

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We point with pride and no small degree of satisfaction to a

recent article in "Look." This magazine "applauds" 10 career Civil Servants chosen for the 1st annual Career Service Awards presented by the National Civil Service League "for exemplifying outstanding integrity and ability." Among these 10 is none other than our old friend, Samuel A. Block of Chicago. Says "Look": "Deaf since childhood, he handles complex and technical procedures as an analytical statistician. He is chief of the Retirement and Survivor Benefit Analysis Section of the Railroad Retirement Board."

As a former Chairman of NAD Civil Service Committee, I cannot help recalling the many obstacles placed against deaf applicants. For example, that ridiculous requirement that "ordinary conversation must be heard at a distance of 15 feet"! What on earth for? None of us applied for position of phone operator or piano-tuner! Fortunately, this restriction was eventually waived. Hence, we hail with pleasure the announcement of an honorary award to Sammy Block.

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No one can fail to be impressed with the stupendous gift of half a billion dollars recently made by the Ford Foundation to various Colleges, etc. With eagerness, I—and doubtless, you—scanned the list of beneficiaries and, to our dismay, there was nary a mention of Gallaudet College! Can it be that it was overlooked or—perish the thought!—mayhaps the Ford folks are not even aware of its existence! Yet, Abraham Lincoln, whose birth we celebrate this month, signed the "Enabling Act" for granting Gallaudet College degrees, in 1864!

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Some things we'd very much like to speed up:

NAD payment of "pledges"
"Silent Worker" subscriptions
Expansion of Gallaudet College
Spreading the Manual Alphabet
Replies to our Special Delivery letters

Wedding plans of certain couples
And, perhaps, you'd add:
The end of this column!

Churches IN THE DEAF WORLD

Rev. Steve L. Mathis, III, Editor

A History of Religious Work Among the Deaf

Introduction

The saying, "Brevity is the soul of wit," is not always true of historical writing, for in their efforts at condensation not infrequently have historians squeezed out of history much of its interest and significance. However, for



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want of space our present survey of the history of religious work among the deaf must necessarily pass over various details which would otherwise require a volume.

It should be immediately evident that our attempt has not been to present an exhaustive study of our subject, but merely to acquaint the present generation with the factors which are responsible for the present status of the Church's ministry among the deaf in the United States. We are likewise concerned in revealing how the Christian Church is fulfilling its commission to "preach the Gospel to every creature."

In line with historical writing, our account will follow in chronicle sequence—with one exception. We do not at present have sufficient information on the history of the work of the Roman Catholic Church; and in order to do justice to the excellent and intense work which that church has and is doing, we shall wait until our study of Protestant churches has been completed before writing of the work of the Roman Church. In this way, we trust that this study will prove somewhat more adequate and comprehensive.

The information contained in this survey has been gleaned from numerous sources. In particular, we acknowledge our gratitude to articles in early issues of *THE SILENT WORKER*, the *American Annals of the Deaf*, and theses in the Gallaudet College Library.

Historical Beginnings

The earliest records of the place which the deaf occupied in society are contained in the books of the Old Testament. A close examination of Scriptural texts reveals that from the beginning the deaf constituted a sociological problem. And in order that it may be made explicit why the Church was slow in commencing a special ministry to them, we shall review the relations of the deaf to their fellowmen during the pre-Christian era.

There is strong evidence that among the multitudes whom Moses was later to lead out of captivity in Egypt were scores of persons suffering physical afflictions. The apparent mistreatment and neglect of them may be referred to in Exodus 4:11, wherein God asks Moses, "who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the Lord?" With this reprimand, Moses was to go forth and improve the situation existing among the people; and one significant result was a Mosaic law, recorded in Leviticus 19:14, "Thou shalt not curse the deaf," whereby the deaf were especially protected from insult because of their affliction.

To understand the prevailing attitudes of the time, it is necessary to recall that the religious life of the Hebrews was strongly influenced by the doctrine of moral retribution—the idea that God punishes the wicked and rewards the good. It is hardly surprising that deafness was regarded as a visitation of God upon the wicked. The Second Commandment, while warning the people not to make graven images, likewise states that a violation of this law would result in the Lord's punishing the children of the third and fourth generations of the violators. It was only logical to assume that a deaf child had descended from a line of unfaithful people, and that God was taking revenge by afflicting him. (It was to counter this idea that the Book of Job was written, wherein the principal theme is: Why do the innocent suffer?)

Since the legislation of the time provided that the faithful ought not to associate with the unfaithful, the deaf were not only repulsive, but frequently segregated from public gaze, banished from their homes, and were liable to meet with violent handling unless they were of unusual native ability or their parents were persons of means or standing in the community. In some communities, so embarrassing was a deaf offspring that it was immediately murdered. Indeed, there are records in the Talmud that encouraged members of the more sophisticated Temple congregations to rid themselves of deaf children before others were aware that such creatures had been born into their homes. In the more simple synagogues, however, a fairer treatment of the deaf was experienced.

During the period when the Psalms were written, the deaf were sometimes

looked upon as innocent persons, quite ignorant of their environment and of the circumstances surrounding it. This is evidenced in Psalm 38:13, where the writer uses the deaf as an allegory. He writes, "I was as a deaf man, and heard not; and I was a dumb man that opened not his mouth. Thus I was a man that heareth not, and in whose mouth are no reproofs." This attitude of innocence and consideration of the deaf as "children of God" is further reflected by the prophet Isaiah, who could foresee the day in which "the deaf shall hear the words of the book" (29:18), and the time when "the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped" (35:5). It is fairly evident that some miraculous healings took place during the prophet's time, for in Isaiah 43:8, he asks that the people "Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears."

In due course, the world in general became under Roman rule, and the classical philosophy of the Greeks had a penetrating influence. The poet and philosopher, Lucretius, apparently expressed the general sentiment of learned men of the time regarding the deaf when he wrote:

To instruct the deaf no art could ever reach,

No care improve them and no wisdom teach.

The influence of Aristotle was immeasurable, and the following remark probably influenced educators of his day: "Of all the senses, hearing contributes the most to intelligence and knowledge." He thus inferred that the deaf were incapable of instruction.

The truth remains that the civilization of the ancient world, splendid as it certainly was in many of its aspects, had nevertheless no heart of love in it for the poor, the ignorant, the unfortunate. To give sight to the blind, hearing to the deaf, deliverance to the captive, was no part of its mission or ministry. Not until Christ came did the thoughts and benevolent desires of men descend from the heights of power and genius and learning to encircle the great body of the race; and to whisper in the ears of even the lowliest, "all are brethren."

Accordingly, as the Christian Church emerged, the question was raised: Are the deaf capable of salvation? The foremost exponent of this question was St. Augustine, who ranks as the greatest theologian of the early Church. Commenting on the words of St. Paul, "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God" (Romans 10:17), Augustine wrote: "Deafness from birth makes faith impossible, since he who is born deaf can neither hear nor learn to read the Word." From this statement theologians concluded that Augustine considered the born deaf con-

demned to eternal damnation because they could not hear the Word.

In supporting this argument further, they again quoted Augustine: "This defect (deafness) hinders faith itself! For one born deaf cannot learn the letters by the reading of which he might lay hold on faith, because their meaning must be given and received through hearing." Whether Augustine was misinterpreted or his statements taken out of context has been a subject of much speculation and debate. At any rate it definitely influenced the thought of the Church, for not until fifteen hundred years after his death was any organized movement made to release the deaf from the bonds of ignorance, and guide them out of darkness and into the Light.

When the Justinian Code became the rule of law, the treatment of the deaf was dependent upon whether the individual was born deaf or whether he had speech but had been afflicted by deafness through illness or accident. The classification in the Code was that the former, who were unable to read or write, might have a status slightly above that of idiots. They were without rights or responsibilities. One of the ultimate influences of this Code upon Civil law in England, whereby persons might be excluded from royal succession on account of deafness. In the laws of King Alfred, a father might be compelled to pay compensation for the misdeeds of his deaf son.

About the year 691, there is an account of the Venerable Bede, who tells of a deaf person being taught to speak and read the lips by Bishop John of York. But this was considered among the miracles of the times and provided no system of imitation.

When the Abbe de l'Eppe, in a spirit of charity, founded a school for the deaf in Paris in the eighteenth century, he had no thought of teaching the deaf to speak, much less to formulate any systematic means of instruction. But out of this venture was born the language of signs, and a system of teaching the deaf which was later to enable the Christian Church in the United States to launch a definite ministry among the deaf.

Down through the long centuries, as we have seen, the deaf were both shunned and neglected. But as time elapsed, there were men who did not despair, and who recalled the promise of the Divine Head that the powers of evil should never entirely prevail against the Truth. Accordingly, men were inspired to rise up to free the silent hand, and the doors of the Church were to be thrown open to all the world.

(Next month: The Episcopal Church begins its work.)



New members of the fast growing Ephphatha Mission of St. James' Episcopal Church, Los Angeles, who were presented for confirmation on Dec. 7, are, left to right: Ethel Himmelschein, Florence Stillman, Raymond Stillman, Thelma Rabb, Lucy Waddell, Helen Eldred, with the minister, the Rev. R. C. Molrine, Jr.

Newest Mission Progressing

The Ephphatha Mission to the Deaf of St. James' Church in Los Angeles, under the leadership of the Rev. Ronald C. Molrine, Jr., has made great strides and experienced rapid growth since its formation in September.

Unlike the average deaf congregation, the members of this group share with the regular congregation of St. James' Church the full pulse of the parish life. Although it experienced humble beginnings, the deaf congregation now numbers over 80 members and continues to increase.

On December 7, the group joined with the regular congregation of the church for a family night supper. Afterwards, they moved into the church for a service of Confirmation, at which seven deaf persons were presented.

The Reverend Mr. Molrine, a hearing minister who is proficient in the language of signs, interpreted the entire service and sermon for the deaf.

The members of the Mission enjoyed a Christmas party on December 18, which was given to them by Saint Cecilia's Guild of St. James. The Guild is sponsoring the social program of the mission, and provides a special coffee hour after each service.

At a recent meeting, the following committee was elected to plan the future work of the Mission: Clarence H. Doane, Charles F. Dore, W. K. Gibson, Horace Perry, John Rabb, and Raymond Stillman.

THE SILENT WORKER extends good wishes to this new congregation, and we should be pleased to hear of the progress of other new groups who are being ministered to by young hearing men from seminaries.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

Baptist . . .

The Rev. Carter Bearden, who formerly ministered to Baptist congregations in Texas and Louisiana, has accepted a call to Atlanta, Georgia. The Reverend Mr. Bearden is a graduate of the Texas School for the Deaf, attended Gallaudet College for two years, and took his Bachelor of Arts degree from Baylor University. He recently completed his studies for the degree of Bachelor in Divinity at the Baptist Theological Seminary in New Orleans, and is connected with the Southern Baptist Board of Missions.

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Calvary Baptist Church of Washington, D. C., was the scene of an unusual Christmas party in December. The Episcopal congregation of the city joined with the Baptist group for a joint party, and the attendance set a record. The two congregations, which have long enjoyed mutual fellowship, plan to make this an annual event, with each group alternately playing host to the other.

Lutheran . . .

At a meeting of the North Central Regional Conference of deaf lay people and pastors held in St. Paul, Minnesota, last Fall, a resolution brought attention to the fact that there are approximately 80,000 deaf people in the nation of Japan among whom no substantial Christian church work is being undertaken.

Acknowledging the blessings of the Lord upon the work of the Lutheran Church in this country, and realizing its spiritual vocation to share its ministry with others, the conference adopted a resolution to use funds in its present

treasury for an exploratory mission trip to Japan by a man whom the Board of Missions of the Deaf shall choose, the purpose of the trip being the opening and establishing of deaf mission work in Japan by the Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod.

The resolution further called upon the five other regional conferences of the church to approve this action, and to encourage their people to contribute \$600 to the amount already on hand for the trip.

It is hoped that this survey trip may be completed in time to report to General Synod in June, 1956.

Episcopal . . .

A survey of the work of the Episcopal Church among the deaf in the Province of Washington, which includes the states of Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, and the District of Columbia, has recently been completed and published.

On basis of the survey report, the Council of the Province has requested the National Council of the church to (1) provide scholarships to both deaf and hearing candidates preparing for work among the deaf in the seminaries, (2) observe Ephphatha Sunday in all parishes and missions of the Church as a day of prayer for the deaf, and (3) insert in the *Book of Common Prayer* a special prayer for the deaf.

The Council has also elected a committee to promote the work in dioceses within its province.

Nondenominational . . .

The Rev. John W. Stallings, Jr., and the Rev. Willis Ethridge, President and Vice-president respectively of the Christian Deaf Fellowship, recently spent a week in Jamaica, in the British West Indies, making a survey of the conditions among the deaf in the islands.

According to their report, the people were destitute and illiterate, and it is possible to speak to them only in the most primitive signs. The Fellowship has plans under way to begin a subscription among its groups with the hope to obtain funds to send a missionary to Jamaica.

Conducting the Churches department is one of the most difficult assignments held by a staff member. It requires a considerable amount of correspondence on the part of the editor, and it requires the cooperation of all our folks in church work. It will help immensely if ministers and others active in church activities will send news of their events and pictures to the Church Editor. His address is: Rev. Steve L. Mathis, 4630 Manordene Road, Apt. E, Baltimore 29, Maryland.

Dates Ahead

(Listed below are conventions, tournaments, and N.A.D. rallies scheduled for the spring and summer. At the time of this writing we have not learned the dates of certain state association conventions to meet this summer but we hope by next month to have the list complete. Anyone knowing of dates not listed here will do us a favor by sending them in. — Ed.)

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Feb. 24-25.....	FAAD — Basketball Tournament.....	Los Angeles, Calif.
April 4-7.....	AAAD — Basketball Tournament.....	Cleveland, Ohio
March 2-3.....	NWAAD — Basketball Tournament.....	Oakland, Calif.
May 19.....	N. A. D. Rally.....	Toledo, Ohio
June 7-9.....	Montana Assn. of Deaf Convention.....	Great Falls, Montana
June 7-9.....	Florida Association of Deaf Convention.....	Pensacola, Florida
June 12-14.....	NAD — State Representative Meeting.....	Fulton, Missouri
June 16.....	St. Louis Rally Night.....	St. Louis, Missouri
June 23.....	Triple Cities (tentative).....	Binghamton, New York
June 28-July 1.....	Tennessee Assn. of Deaf Convention.....	Chattanooga, Tenn.
July 4-8.....	North Dakota Assn. of Deaf Convention.....	Bismarck, N. D.
July 5-8.....	Alabama Assn. of Deaf Convention.....	Myrtle Beach, S. C.
July 15-21.....	International Catholic Deaf Assn. Convention.....	Milwaukee, Wis.
August 3-5.....	Michigan Assn. of Deaf Convention.....	Detroit, Mich.
	Pennsylvania Society for Advancement	
August 17-19.....	of Deaf Convention.....	Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
August 17-19.....	Kansas Association of Deaf Convention.....	Topeka, Kansas
September 1-3.....	California Association of Deaf Convention.....	Riverside, Calif.

Exhibit Appreciated

The exhibit material which the N.A.D. had on display at the California State Fair in September was sent to Des Moines, Iowa, in November and was placed on display at a meeting of Friends of the Deaf there. That the exhibit made a favorable impression is indicated in the following letter the N.A.D. received from Mrs. Marie Walsh, secretary:

"The very fine posters and literature which your Association sent to our local FRIENDS OF THE DEAF, for display was most favorably received by several hundred welfare workers who attended the recent convention, held November 9 and 10, at the Savery Hotel here.

"The committee assigned us a sixteen foot display table for the posters and literature and gave us a most attractive location between the two doors to the ballroom, where many conferences and the grand ball were held.

"Much favorable comment was made on the posters, especially those of the Deaf at Work; Children of the Deaf; The National Association of the Deaf and that of Gallaudet College and the poster giving Occupations for the Deaf.

"We had a guest register which was signed by about 150 people who received assortment of literature and there were many more who selected their own literature and read the display with much interest."

Florida School Gets Trust Fund

Robert H. Gore of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, newspaper publisher and member of the State Board of Control, has set up a trust fund of \$100,000 for students at the Florida School for the Deaf

and the Blind, at St. Augustine. Mr. Gore is grandfather of a pupil at the school.

In making the fund available, Mr. Gore stipulated that it should be left open for contributions from others. He said the money should be spent for "such things as a trip home for some child on a special occasion and for clothing, medical, dental and other needs of children to be determined by the school and the fund's trustees.

The Florida State Board of Control and President John M. Wallace of the Florida School have published a resolution of thanks to Mr. Gore. He deserves thanks and expressions of appreciation from all the deaf, who share in his interest in the deaf children of Florida as well as elsewhere. It is to be hoped that the example he has set will result in similar contributions in other states.

A New Column

On page 23 of this issue readers will find a new column, intitled "Random Jottings". It was written by Bernard Teitelbaum, who has contributed numerous articles to THE SILENT WORKER. Mr. Teitelbaum, a teacher in the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, is well known in deaf circles. He was for several years a vice-president of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf representing the Eastern United States.

"Random Jottings" fills a need THE SILENT WORKER has long felt for comment on various topics in the deaf world. Mr. Teitelbaum will contribute as frequently as time permits, and he will appreciate suggestions as to material for use in his column.

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KANSAS . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Benedet, Pittsburg, became proud parents of a daughter born on October 14. The little miss, weighing eight pounds and fifteen ounces, will be known as Delores Mardell Benedet. Congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. August Chebultz of Wichita are now happy grandparents of a girl who was born to their daughter, Mona, and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kimbell, on October 26. The name, Jearell Lee, was given their daughter, who weighed six pounds and three ounces. Congratulations.

A nice house-warming party for Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jennings in Wichita took place on Sunday, November 13. The hostesses, Mrs. Jerry Crabb, Mrs. Carl Rose, Misses Doris Heil and Karen Crabb, served miniature cakes and fruit punch to quite a number of well-wishers who went through the house with the guests of honor. The Jennings and their two sons are happy in their two-bedroom house with a full basement.

Mr. and Mrs. George Denton, Wichita, were made happy over the arrival of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nelson, their granddaughter, Mrs. Harriett O'Brien, and great grandchildren, Linda and John O'Brien from Menlo, Iowa, for the Thanksgiving holiday visit. They left for Menlo on Sunday in time for Linda to attend school.

Mrs. Minnie Tubb, Wichita, suffered a fatal heart attack at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Earl Nyquist, Wichita, on Thanksgiving day, November 24. Mrs. Tubb, who was born in Arkansas, had been a resident of Wichita the past thirteen years. She was supervisor of branch extension work at the West Maple Baptist Church in Wichita. Besides Mrs. Nyquist, she is survived by three other daughters, Mrs. Oleta Cash, Long Beach, Calif., Mrs. Callie Crawford, Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. Pearl Roberts, Seligman, Mo.; three sons, John, Detroit, Mich., Lonnie, Benton, Ark., and Jim, Wichita; two brothers, 17 grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Mrs. Tubb was interred in Wichita.

At a feather party recently sponsored by a Catholic church in Wichita, Mrs. Archie Grier was most fortunate to win two hams, and Mrs. Russell Morton a turkey, while the rest of the ladies had to be contented with cakes they won. Robert Malm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Malm, Topeka, is now in Japan serving in the air force. His family is staying in California, where his wife's folks live.

Mrs. Charles Fairchild, Hutchinson, underwent eye surgery for glaucoma not long ago. She has progressed very nicely at home.

Want to make a correction of the statement reported last month. Mr. and Mrs. Uel Hurd live in Kansas City, Kansas, not in Olathe, as reported. Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hagins and

daughters are staying with the Hurds a while. Mr. Hagins is with a picture frame making firm in Kansas City and likes it fine.

Miss Karen Crabb was a guest of honor at a bridal shower at the abode of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jennings November 18. As the ladies settled down to visit, in came a poorly dressed couple (imitated by Mrs. Jennings and Doris Heil). Never have we seen such clothes worn by any couple wanting to get married. A volunteered preacher found in the house married them. An old looking corn cob pipe was the compensation received by the preacher. Many nice and useful gifts were piled under a decorated umbrella. One of the gifts received by the honored guest was a pretty table lamp given by the hostesses, Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. Carl Rose, Mrs. Jerry Crabb, and Misses Doris Heil and Adele Hill. Winners of the games played gave their prizes to the honored guest.

Rev. Drew Watterson of Kansas City, of the Assembly of God, was brought into the W. C. D. hall November 26 by his hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Miller. On Sunday, Rev. Watterson conducted church services for the deaf in the First Baptist Church. Fifteen people attended the service. Rev. Watterson is contemplating a church for the deaf in Topeka in the near future.

Mr. Robert Reed, Wichita, and Mrs. Maggie Offutt, Enid, Okla., were married in Enid November 27. Mr. and Mrs. John Flood, Enid, witnessed the ceremony. The Reeds are residing in Wichita, where he is employed by a building contractor. May they have a happy life.

It thrilled many Wichitans watching the television program titled, "You Asked for It" December 4. In it was a group of deaf people and their pastor reciting the Lord's Prayer in sign language. The program was from Los Angeles, California.

Rev. A. E. Ferber of Kansas City conducted church services for the deaf in Wichita on December 11. Among those present were six inmates of the state training center in Winfield.

Mrs. Earl Nyquist, Wichita, was taken to a hospital from a doctor's office December 6 to be operated upon for acute appendicitis. She is getting along well at present writing.

Shirley Hottle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hottle, Mulvane, was a several day patient in a Wichita hospital for treatment of an infection caused by the scratches of a cat. The scratches were on her forehead but the infection set in on her throat. The parents got rid of all the cats.

Recently, Raymond Hayes of Wichita figured in a car accident on a local street. Fortunately he escaped injury. The cause of the accident was laid on a lady driver.

Did you have a nice Christmas this year and did Old Santa treat you good? May the new year 1956 be a very happy year for you.

NEW YORK . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Al Wish recently enjoyed a cruise to Nassau, where they spent a full week. Highlight of the trip was when Mrs. Wish won first prize at a costume party aboard ship.

Mr. and Mrs. Morton Schlissel were blessed with a third child not long ago, a baby girl. The Schlissels have two boys and the baby is the delight of her little brothers.

Mrs. Barney Freidenberg has terminated his employment with a local plastic company and is now taking up "ETAOIN." (*Please! What the heck is that?*—NEWS ED.) (*Ask the Silent Printer.*—ED.)

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Hurwitz suffered a grievous loss when their son, Arthur, passed away following a lengthy illness. A few days later Aaron's aged father died, adding to their heartbreak. Our heartfelt sympathy to the Hurwitz family.

Mrs. Tanya Nash, Mr. Emerson Romero, Mrs. Leona Krieger, and Betty Guttman were seen recently on the Steve Allen television program and all those fortunate enough to witness the show tell us that it was quite wonderful.

Other TV programs presented the Baer School of Baltimore, Md., and a Los Angeles, Calif., church choir.

Max Hoffman's mother made her first trip out to the west coast and, being just 86 years young, she went the modern way, via air. In Los Angeles she is the loved and honored guest of her daughter, Anna Verburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Berzon have migrated to Florida. However, it is only for two weeks of fun and frolic in the warm sun.

Miss Rita Walsh is a lovely colleen and holds the distinction of an important position with Merck Company of New Jersey. Rita is now mastering the sign language. And Sally Auerbach just recently secured a position in New Jersey as an ETAOIN operator. (*That word again! Please pardon our ignorance.*—NEWS ED.)

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Eber recently celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary, on the 27th to be exact. Incidentally, the Ebers' granddaughter was born on the 28th of the same month.

Mr. Norman Posner's father was involved in a traffic accident not long ago. His automobile was badly damaged and his leg so mangled that amputation was necessary.

Mrs. Violet Armstrong had the misfortune to fall and sprain her ankle. At this writing Violet is hopping around on one leg and doing just fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Weisblatt got the thrill of their life when the stork presented them with a hefty bundle of twin boys. The babies weighed in at 5 and 6 pounds respectively and are as alike as two peas in a pod.

The HAD Sisterhood recently featured a bazaar with most of the lovely items for sale the handiwork of the ladies themselves. Quite a crowd attended the affair and a neat profit was realized.

A newcomer to our town is Miss Ann Fraley. Ann hails from Virginia and has already landed a job here. Welcome, Ann!

Charles F. Krampe, Robert Walderan, and William Seisz spent a few days in November in New Orleans, then took a plane to Mexico City, where they met Charles' parents and stayed in Mexico for their three weeks vacation. They also went to Acapulco, Mexico's resort town, with all the homes and hotels up on the cliffs. The visitors thought this place was much more interesting than Miami Beach.

New Yorkers wishing to send news items should contact Mr. Hal Steinman, 1236 Burke Avenue, Bronx 69, New York. Hal is our official New York correspondent and will be most happy to increase his news coverage.

COLORADO . . .

November was a busy month for the deaf of Colorado. November 12 found a barn dance at the Silent Athletic Club, in Denver. Juanita Greb was chairman and her able helpers were Howard Andress, Bob Edwards, John Flores, Richard O'Toole, and Herb Votaw. Chairman of the hot supper preceding the dance was Josie Kiltbau, assisted by Eva Fraser, Alberta Norton, Helga Fraser, and Richard Morris.

The Dramatic Club presented its stage show on November 19 at the Silent Athletic Club. A series of skits was presented by Fred Schmidt, Barbara Anderson, Charles Billings, Don Warnick, Alberta Norton, Clarence Kamminga, Juanita Greb, John Flores, Rachel Warnick, Eva Fraser, and Howard Andress. Guests from neighboring towns came to Denver for the event, including the Paul Barneses of Bridgeport, Neb.

Rev. and Mrs. Clark Bailey, Lutheran pastor for the deaf, welcomed the arrival of Philip John on September 6. The husky boy weighed in at 8 lb. 6 oz. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Works, Colorado Springs, welcomed their third child, a son, on September 22. Mr. and Mrs. George Dietz, Adams City, are the proud parents of a son, Gary Alan, born October 11. Gary weighed 7 lb. 8¾ oz.

On November 8 in Colorado Springs, Mrs. Charlene Geist, Mrs. Dorothy Puzick, and Mrs. Dolly Keliher hosted a housewarming for the Thomas Fishlers at their new home on 2206 West Boulder. Most of the teachers and Superintendent and Mrs. Roy Stelle and former Superintendent A. L. Brown and Mrs. Brown were among those who attended. The Herb Votaws and the Dick Andersons came down from Denver, even though the Votaws had paid a visit to the Fishlers on the previous Sunday, November 6. Many nice gifts and a large potted philodendron were received for the new home.

The Herb Votaws moved into their new home in Denver on November 19 after selling their home in Wheatridge. The new home has a spacious view of the mountains, and is a three-bedroom brick with full basement.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Dierking and daughter Margo were week-end guests of the Loren Elstads on November 26-27.

The Paul Barneses of Bridgeport, Neb., came down to visit the Don Warnicks on November 26-27 and also to visit a friend from Bridgeport who was in the hospital.

James Lane of Denver underwent a very serious operation in November, and is now convalescing at the home of his parents in Montana. He was expected back in January.

A tragic accident occurred November 26 near Colorado Springs when the auto of Steve Puzick was struck by a main streamliner. Steve was on his way home to Colorado Springs after visiting his wife's parents at Matheson, Colo., and had with him his three daughters, Marilyn Ann, Suzanne Kay and Cynthia Eve, and two cousins. Apparently Steve did not know the train was approaching when crossing the tracks, but since there were no witnesses and no survivors, we will never know. The funerals of all six were held November 30. Dorothy, the mother and wife, was working at her Christmas job, and was not with the group, and thus was spared. At this writing Dorothy is in California with her grandmother.

Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet Day was acknowledged December 9th at the St. Mark's Church, with a program given under the auspices of the Gallaudet Club of All Souls Guild for the Deaf. Miss Ione Dibble was the chairman, and the program consisted of a poem signed by Mrs. Ione Simpson; a play "Gallaudet Days" with Miss Dibble, Mrs. Eva Fraser, Mrs. Helga Fraser, Rev. and Mrs. Grace, Mr. Eldon Beverly, and Mr. William Fraser. Speeches were given by Mr. James Tuskey, Supt. Roy Stelle and Mr. Thomas Fishler. Master of ceremonies was Mr. Theodore Tucker and the backstage assistants were Jacques Amiel, Bob Cameron and John Carlson. A good-sized crowd attended the program and partook of the delicious refreshments prepared by Mrs. Helga Fraser and her committee.

The new officers for the year 1956 of the Silent Athletic Club are: Bill Fraser, president; Don Warnick, vice-president; Charles

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Random Jottings

By Bernard Teitelbaum

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The inspiration for the above heading, "Random Jottings," comes from two heads that caught our eye in publications years apart. The first was "Random Thoughts," a column run in a newspaper way back. More recently, "Jottings by Janice" ran in a high school paper which came to our notice.

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Probably the youngest interpreter for any group of deaf people was Marcia Davis, nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Davis of Cleveland, Ohio. She interpreted at a religious service at a Hebrew Association of the Deaf Passover Service during the past spring in Cleveland, and got an interesting write-up in a local newspaper. We personally know Marcia and her parents and can attest that she is a bright little girl very conversant with the sign language. Sanford and Ann are properly proud of the little girl. A younger brother, Jay, completes the family and may follow in his sister's footsteps as an interpreter.

Do we hear any challenges to our claim Marcia is the youngest?

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The advertising manager for three district furniture stores, owned by Lovett Bros. (name changed for obvious reasons), was a hard of hearing gentleman who took his work rather seriously. A totally deaf man not bereft of speech worked on the paper carrying his ads.

By chance, they worked in the same neighborhood.

One day they met on a street car on the way home. They fell into a short conversation. The totally deaf man was interested in the number of brothers in "Lovett Bros." He asked: "How many brothers are there in 'Lovett Bros.'?"

Missing the key word, the h.h. man replied: "I could have ten of them (raising ten fingers) if I wished but that would be too much of a headache," cupping his head in his hands and swaying it sideways.

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"The Christian Union Herald" for November 20, 1955, carried a lengthy account of a deaf-blind man, Richard Kinney, 30, who graduated *magna cum laude* from Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio, on June 6, 1955.

The article contained an interesting account of methods used by Mr. Kinney in absorbing his education.

The first fact was that our one-hand manual alphabet was used to transcribe lectures for him. This was done by a classmate with normal sight and hearing.

Mr. Kinney also used the Braille currently taught to all blind children in schools for the blind.

To converse with people unfamiliar with the manual alphabet, Mr. Kinney used a white glove on the left hand. This glove had the letters of the alphabet printed in various standard positions and friends could spell out words by tapping the glove at the correct positions.

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We notice that whiskey manufacturers using transitads in the local street cars to advertise their products are appealing more and more to the eye by displaying attractive containers, a departure from the time-honored shape of the fifth. These are now referred to by the high-toned name of "Decanters" and they are really attractive—on the ads. (We have not checked up on the actual attractiveness of the decanters at the local liquor store nor can we vouch for the delectableness of the contents.)

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Know that our one-handed manual alphabet is carried in Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, probably under "deaf" and also in many other dictionaries. In our Funk and Wagnalls Standard Dictionary published in 1931, it cuts into definitions for the word "dear" which is quite appropriate as the manual is *dear* to us!

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Has anyone ever seen a girl toss a baseball with a flat trajectory nearly three-fourths the regulation distance between the pitcher's position and the home plate? Western Pennsylvania boasts of one such young lady in the person of winsome Dorothy Vasilko. During her school days Dorothy liked to "play catch" with her brother, Billy, during which she developed the ability to toss a fast ball. At school picnics she liked to don a catcher's mitt and take the best the boys had to offer. Many a boy wearing a regulation fielder's glove winced when receiving her return.

At the insistence of her mother, Dorothy now follows more feminine pursuits but can still toss a fast ball!

Billings, re-elected secretary; Fred Schmidt, re-elected treasurer.

The annual dinner of the Birthday Club, consisting of Eva Fraser, Helga Fraser, Margaret Herbold, Laura Schmidt, Lorraine Schmidt, Rachel Warnick, Juanita Greb, Mary Elstad, Harriett Votaw, Barbara Anderson, Frances Bundy and Emilia O'Toole, was held at the Tiffin Inn and a gift-exchange followed the dinner at Helga Fraser's home. The January meeting will be at Laura Schmidt's.

MONTANA . . .

The annual "new car" epidemic is again spreading about Great Falls. No '56 models are in evidence yet, although 1955 cars are being driven by Darwin Younggren, Richard Eide, Milton Miller, Raymond Kolander with Chevrolet sedans; Edward Czernicki with a Chevrolet station wagon; Clarence Altop, an Oldsmobile, and Robert LeMieux, a Buick.

Clarice Petrick spent an autumn vacation in California and Oregon and returned home full of anecdotes about her wonderful trip.

A baby shower was given for Mrs. Robert LeMieux (Beverly Hippe) by Mrs. Edward Czernicki at the home of Mrs. Darwin Younggren the evening of November 18. Assisting were Dorothy Morrison and Mrs. Younggren and among those ladies present to shower Beverly with baby needs were Mesdames Richard Eide, Jay Iserloth, Richard Mullins, Harold Brant, Frank Orava, Newton Shular, Mervin Garretson, Clarence Altop, Victor Herbold and Misses Ruth Henderickson, Louree Davis, Clarice Petrick and Marlene Skogas. The ladies were all asked to predict the date of the baby's birth and the one making the correct prediction will later be given a prize.

The Frank Oravas and the Mervin Garretsons have each purchased new television sets.

Guests of the O'Donnells just prior to the opening of school last autumn were Mr. and Mrs. Barlow of Oakland, Calif. Another visitor we must mention was Mr. Leo Jacobs of the California School, who was the guest of Miss Dorothy Morrison.

Dr. Kidd of Canada was a most interesting visitor to Great Falls recently. Local people greatly enjoyed making his acquaintance during his short stay.

The Darwin Younggrens are happily settled in the new home they bought last fall and the Herbold brothers, Walter and Fulton, of Hingham, have moved into their new ranch home with their families. Bobby, Fulton's son, is a freshman at Gallaudet and we learn that both Walter and Fulton have each bought snazzy new Oldsmobiles.

The Al Christensens welcomed their first child last August with the arrival of Sonia Trina.

Victor Lyon of Bozeman is taking a course in industrial arts at Montana State College.

Dorothy Morrison flew to Berkeley, Calif., to spend the Christmas holidays and the Newton Shulars also drove west to California with Mrs. Shulars' parents accompanying them. Also off to California for the holidays are Reno Wolf and Raymond Kolander. Seems folks prefer California for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Iserloth welcomed a baby daughter last autumn in the person of little Katherine Lia who arrived on Halloween. Mrs. Iserloth was formerly Charlotte Spoerl.

We almost forgot to tell you about the nice dinner given in honor of Mr. Leo Jacobs of the Berkeley School during his visit to Great Falls November 26. The event took place at Clarice Petrick's apartment and among those attending were Dorothy Morrison, who assisted Clarice, and Messrs. and Mesdames Richard Mullins, Mervin Garretson, Ray Kolander, Edward Czernicki, Al Christenson, Robert LeMieux and Darwin Younggren. The Christensons made the trip down from Havre just for the occasion.

ILLINOIS . . .

RAREST OF SCENES: The marquee of the Today Theater, that hour long newsreel from all over, had this some days back: "Deaf Tots Learn to Talk" about the teaching of speech to the kiddies at the Margate, England, School for the Deaf. . . . Only a few doors west on Madison street is the Chicago Club of the Deaf! . . . The incomparable Fernandel now starring in the "Sheep With Five Legs" at the Surf Theater has the local deaf in stitches. . . . Suspense French film, "Diabolique," now playing at the Ziegfeld Theater. No one is allowed to come into the theater after the feature has begun!

Officers elected to head the Chicago Club of the Deaf for 1956 are as follows: Max Spanjer, re-elected president; John D. Fuhr, first vice-president; Elmer Stocke, second vice-president; John M. Turbergen, Jr., re-elected secretary; Thomas Cain, re-elected treasurer; Sam Millick, re-elected financial secretary; Walter Hodgson was elected trustee for three years and Richard Tanzar, for two years, replacing the resigned John Fuhr, who moved up to the first vice-presidency. Jack Kondell is the hold-over trustee and has one more year to run. Rocco Montessao and Edward Sobczak were elected sergeants-at-arms. Directors elected were Sammy Golin and Leonard Warshawsky.

NOBLE WAS NOBLE: Noble G. Powers, one of the club members hailing from the hills of Tennessee, proved a hero indeed on Saturday, November 12. With only a handful of loungers present at the club then, our noble Noble took in whiffs of smoke and hastily hurried to the janitors' room to find the mattress smoking and ablaze. He hurriedly summoned the fire department, who in no time squelched this mishap before real damage could be done. Noble is a linotype operator for one of the large Chicago dailies. (At this writing, he is home in Tennessee taking care of his little boy and ill wife.

N-E-W-S: The Lawrence Leitsons and their two boys are now housed happily in a new home in Skokie, a growing suburb north of the Chicago boundary line. On arriving in "Our Town" last spring, they set out to look for a new home. After selling their place in Cleveland, Ohio, they are sure to find their newest home to their liking. Many happy years in the newest domicile, folks!

On December 4, the members of the Lutheran Church of the Deaf held a meeting after their sermon to elect officers for the new year. Gus Anderson was elected president; Frank O. Johnson, vice-president; Benjamin Greenheck, secretary, and Albert Murdock, treasurer. Clarence Hayman was elected deacon for a period of two years. . . . The Ladies Aid Society of the church held a bazaar the same evening. A turkey dinner with all the trimmings was served to all. There was pinocle and bunco after the eats. A profit of around \$50 was realized. . . . The church held a Watch Night party December 31. Mrs. Gus Anderson was chairman of the affair. . . . The Henry Niemeyers (Evelyn Snyder) purchased a two-flat apartment in Oak Park last August. . . . The Lutheran Church of the Deaf has been insulated at last. This will mean a warmer place! . . . Alex Chapman Faith visited the Kentucky School for the Deaf at Danville—his old alma mater—last fall and called on Dr. Madison Lee, the superintendent. Alex is employed at the Oscar Mayer and Company meat packers in Our Town. . . . We are glad to hear that Thomas O. Gray is now up and about after the injury suffered in an auto accident last December. He is now at 20 N. W. 8th Street, Miami, Florida. His many friends here should write him there.

SPORTS: On December 10, the Chicago Club of the Deaf cagers lost a hard-fought game to the National champions, the Milwaukee Silent Club cagers, at Olivet Institute gymnasium, 80-69. . . . The Illinois State basket-

ball tournament will be held in Rockford some time in February. Winner will make the trek to the Central Athletic Association of the Deaf meet at South Bend, Indiana, to be held the first weekend of March, '56. The South-town Club of the Deaf has decided on sponsoring another basketball team, even though Lloyd (Baskets) Mulay has joined the cross-town rival, the Chicago Club of the Deaf.

No. 31300—The big night among nights was December 10, 1955. This was the night that the drawing for the 1956 Bel-Air Chevrolet took place. For close to seven months, the members of the Chicago Club of the Deaf had been selling tickets to all who hovered into their sight. Object as defined by chairman Sam (Nutt) Golin: To raise much-needed money to pay for improvements and remodeling of the new clubrooms of the club at 70 W. Madison Street—fourth floor. With more than 700 excited souls jamming the club this particular evening, the excitement was at its height!! Dr. Arthur L. Roberts, grand president of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, was called upon to draw the lucky number. The wheel was turned round 'n' round for a long time. Then Bob Roberts was blindfolded and led in front of the now open wheel with the thousands of tickets. His hand went in and came out with two tickets sticking together. Chairman Sammy Golin then put this back—and the good Doctor Roberts was asked to try again. This time he came out with one fastened tightly in his right hand. The blindfold was then taken off and he went on to read the lucky ticket. The name: Eleanor Cain, a long-time member of the Chicago Club!!

MARRIAGES: On October 30, Bernard Gordon and Lois Adler were married. They spent two weeks at Miami Beach and Havana, Cuba. . . . There was a double wedding here recently. No November 26, 1955, Samantha Warren Rissel and Emil R. Kluck were married at 10 a.m. Two others followed this happy couple. They were Mary Belle Smith of Delavan, Wisconsin, and Charles Sowa, of Our Town. Both couples are now neighbors on Chicago's great north side. . . . Doris Kempf, a 154 graduate of the Nebraska School for the Deaf in Omaha, was married to Malcolm Kimberlin, a product of the Tennessee School for the Deaf, and are now making their home in Memphis, Tenn. Doris worked for the Globe Reweaving Company owned by the Reatha and Bill Suttikas before "marching it down to the altar."

ENGAGEMENT: Sam (Nutt) Golin of Chicago, Ill., to blonde Marjorie Krueger, of Jamestown, North Dakota, on December 10.

BIRTHDAY: Eliza Gabler Zollinger celebrated her 84th birthday on November 26. She was a former supervisor at the Illinois School for the Deaf, leaving to marry and live in Chicago in 1914. Her husband, the late William A. Zollinger, passed away in 1942.

PASSED AWAY: Mrs. Azala Delano, of Aurora, Illinois, passed away several months ago, at the age of 84. She had spent her years living in and around Chicago and Lake Charles, La. . . . Mary Anna Mallman, mother of Hugo, Otto and William A., passed away December 9 at Tucson, Arizona. . . . The father of Betty Voelkel, of Evanston, Ill., departed December 18. Betty had been caring for her dad in their home in Gafford Place, Evanston. Betty is very active in the affairs of the Alpha Beta Chi girls' sorority.

BIRTHS: A six-pound, two-ounce baby girl was born to the John Breslins (Annie Voglar) December 18. Papa is getting along fine and has been busy passing out the La Palina cigars. . . . The Fred Coxes (Dorothy Gerichs) are expecting the stork around February. Mom and Pop Gerichs are former Chicago residents. They have been busy keeping the residents of the California Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf happy on Menlo Avenue in Los Angeles.

The Chicago Club of the Deaf gave a Christmas party for its members December 18 and quite a Christmas party it was, too. There were programs for the kids in the afternoon and for the adults in the evening. Hilarious skits and stories were presented by Frieda Meagher, Virginia Fitzgerald, Kitz Leiter, Irene Hazel, and Charles Sharpnack in the evening program. Highlight of the affair was a quiz show in the \$64,000 Question format. The top money was \$2 to a contestant who reached the fourth and last question. No one won the \$2 jackpot, although a few came close to it. The huge affair was chairmanned by Celia Warshawsky and Jerry Strom.

HOME FOR THE AGED DEAF NOTES: Newest additions to the residents at the Illinois Home for the Aged Deaf are Alice and Walt Whitson of Chicago, Ill., Alfred Carpenter of Joliet, and Elizabeth Zollinger. The Home for the Aged Deaf is located in Evanston and is managed by the Illinois Association of the Deaf. Frieda B. Meagher is chairman of the board of the home.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES: The Methodist Church of the Deaf held its annual program at the Chicago Temple, Clark at Washington streets, on Friday, December 16. Virgie Fitzgerald (Dries) was Saint Nick and gave out gifts galore. Mrs. Swift gave a song; talks were given by Messrs. John Sullivan, Disz, Griffe, and Robey Burns. Refreshments were given in the form of sandwiches, candy, coffee, and tea. Mrs. Frieda B. Meagher served as chairlady for the evening. . . . The Lutheran Church for the Deaf on Ridgeway Avenue gave a party for the congregation on December 18. . . . The Chicago Club of the Deaf staged its annual kiddie party Sunday, December 18, at two in the afternoon. Santa came and distributed candy to the children of the Chicago Club of the Deaf. Kitz Leiter and Celia Warshawsky furnished the entertainment for the happy kiddies.

On Thursday, December 15, the Chicago Chapter of the Deaf Red Cross Workers met as usual in the clubrooms of the Chicago Club of the Deaf, 70 West Madison Street, and had a Christmas party. Those who made a surprise appearance were the president and vice-president of the Greater Chicago Red Cross. A nice hot luncheon was served for the 25 persons. The Chicago Chapter of the Deaf Women have served the Red Cross faithfully for the last decade and more. During the war, the deaf ladies made bandages and other important things for the Army. This chapter was commended highly by the Red Cross officials!

The Southtown Club of the Deaf of 6922 Wentworth gave its big party Saturday night, December 17. The next day, the kiddies received a visit from Santa and a lot of toys and refreshments all coming from the previous evening's profits!

A gigantic bazaar held at the Chicago Hearing Society realized a tidy sum of cash for its benefit. They sold just about everything from a dog leash to an electric organ. This annual bazaar draws a large crowd yearly.

The American Lip Readers will hold their 14th annual banquet at the Hickory House, 760 Rush Street, January 28. This popular club expects a large crowd. James Dunne is its new president for 1956.

Don Cummins is engaged to a lovely gal from the suburbs of Indianapolis, Indiana. She came to Chicago several weeks ago to study at the Art Institute. Met Dan Cupid, too.

James Kiley of Indianapolis spent a few days here in Chicago with his brother, two weeks ago. We were all glad to see an old Chicagoan who left us a few years ago for Indianapolis.

St. Louis and Vicinity . . .

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The Silent Printer

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Have you ever wondered what is going to happen to your job what with all the labor saving machinery constantly coming out? At one time or another almost every worker worries a little about being put out of work by some new-fangled machine. An old time pressman writing in the "American Pressman" has some very interesting comments on this very subject. Parts of his article are of such general interest that we think they will bear repeating:

"What has happened in the printing industry in the last 50-60 years? The cylinder press was invented in 1815 by two Germans, one a pressman and the other a mechanic. They had a difficult time introducing the new machine. In Lyon, France, and in quite a few other places too, the pressworkers revolted and destroyed the new presses, fearing that they would cause the loss of their jobs. The firm which made the first cylinder press, Koenig and Bauer, established in Kloster Oberzell, Bavaria, about 1820, still exists and is still manufacturing printing machinery. But what became of the revolting pressmen?"

"As a young pressman, I worked on a press built in Paris, France in 1848 by Alauset. What a primitive contraption that was with its 9 foot fly-wheel and its speed of 500 per hour compared with our latest model Miehle, Harris, Kelly and other presses. We worked a 54-hour week in those days and production of 20 to 24M impressions a week was good production. In contrast, just recently I saw several 5-color rotaries printing 7 colors at once with split rollers. The job was labels 120-up and the production was 4,500 per hour!"

From this it would seem that fewer and fewer printers and pressmen will be needed. Yet the same writer mentions that in 1900 the New York Typographical Union had around 4000 members. Today its membership numbers about 13,000! The answer is in the tremendous growth in population and in the vastly expanded use of printing as it came to be produced more efficiently and cheaply.

With one foot on a brass rail and talking with one hand (the other one was busy keeping a mug of suds from sliding away) the Silent Printer was chewing the fat with several other Silent Printers not so long ago. The question of what point size was indicated-by the name Agate came up. One of our group

was an old timer, now retired, and he alone of all the Silent Printers present could give the correct answer. Can you? That brings to mind that type sizes were all once known by names. Wonder how many of today's crop of Silent Printers know the corresponding point sizes for the old designations. The old names were—Agate, Brevier, Small Pica, Great Primer, Pearl, Minion, Long Primer, English, Diamond, Nonpareil, Bourgeois, Pica, Brilliant, Diamond, Double Pica, 5-line Nonpareil, 3-line Pica and 5-line Pica.

Here's the February supplement to the National Amalgamated Directory of Silent Printers.

Weldon B. Tittle, Photo-Engraver at the Cunningham Engraving Co., Washington, D.C. Brother Tittle is a product of the Texas School but learned his trade elsewhere.

Mrs. Pearla C. Lewis, Monotype Keyboard Operator at the Government Printing Office. Sister Lewis attended both the Arkansas and Texas Schools. She learned her trade at the Lanston Monotype School in Philadelphia.

George Morrison, All-Around Printer working in Defiance, Ohio. George is a product of that very efficient printing class at the Ohio School. We understand that Brother Georgie is just starting out and we hasten to request that he keep us informed of his progress. How's about it, huh?

Dick Amundsen, Linotype Operator and Floorman at The Springfield News, Springfield, Oregon. Brother Dick attended the Washington and Kendall Schools and also Gallaudet College.

Information is at hand that the Miller Printing Machinery Co., has just issued a new 32-page "Handbook of Miller Presses." Complete specifications are listed for the Miller line of Letterpresses, cutters and creasers, bronzers, and offset presses. A copy can be had for writing the Miller Printing Machinery Co., 1119 Reedsdale St., Pittsburgh 33, Penna.

In the event that any of you Silent Printers can correctly give the point sizes designated by the type names above given we think that such knowledge should be its own reward. However, being partial to the ladies as we are, we are offering certain inducements to them. Any Lady Silent Printer who correctly names the corresponding point sizes will be rewarded with a lock of our elegant beard as a keepsake.

Convention Committee sponsored a party in the clubrooms of the St. Louis Silent Club. This was the first of a long series of such events, planned to raise the necessary wherewithal to cover anticipated expenses. The evening's entertainment was under the co-chairmanship of Ralph Brewer and Max Blachschleger, with the feature being a series of short skits ably directed by Peggy Roam and George Smith. The members of the cast were too numerous to mention here but of special note was the superb performance of Leo Muir. In addition to a top-notch performance of his assigned role in one skit, Leo volunteered to take over in another skit for Bennie Larson, who had been called out of town owing to the death of his father, and without having practiced at all, gave such realism to his acting that he brought down the house. It is a pleasure to report that the crowd was far larger than had been expected, and a goodly profit from the affair makes a tidy nest egg for our convention fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Campbell, Mrs. Lydia Weber, and Edward Carney motored to Kansas City on November 19 on behalf of the 1957 NAD Convention Committee, and while there visited both the Heart of America Club and the KCCD clubrooms, in addition to a short stop at the home of the Fred Murphys.

Wedding bells rang out on successive week-ends for two popular local young couples. On November 19, Marie Higbe became the bride of Vincent Kruse, a member of the St. Louis Metropolitan Police force, and on November 26, Glenda Wrenn exchanged vows with Thomas Petrovic. Bridal showers were held on separate occasions for these young ladies in the St. Louis Silent Club and both were the recipients of many attractive and useful gifts.

Joe Keiling had the misfortune of suffering a shoulder separation during one of the first

practice sessions of the basketball season, and in addition to losing five weeks of work, he was forced to wear a most uncomfortable yoke-like cast, also for five weeks. At this writing, he is back at work and back at practice with the team but will not attempt to participate in any games until after the first of the year.

The St. Louis Silent Club basketball team is participating this year in the strong Mound City League with games each Wednesday night in the Salvation Army Gym, 7th and Ann Streets, S.E., and at the present writing have been able to win only one out of three starts. This poor showing, however, was not totally unexpected, as more than half of last year's good team have, for sundry reasons, left the squad.

To date, the St. Louis Silent Club has played only one basketball game with another club, losing 58 to 45 to Indianapolis in a rough game at Indianapolis on December 10. Derald Brooks, co-captain of the St. Louis team, suffered a laceration of his hip in this game which required three stitches. Other games are scheduled after the first of the year with Omaha, Kansas City, and a return game with Indianapolis.

The Handcraft group and the basketball team jointly sponsored a party at the St. Louis Silent Club the first Saturday in December. The party games were in charge of Joe Keiling and George Smith and members of the ball team served as bartenders. The ladies prepared and served a delicious hot supper and displayed and offered for sale the divers products of their skillful sewing needles and crochet hooks. Although the attendance was not large, the ladies netted well over a hundred fifty dollars and will use the money to make improvements in the kitchen of the club.

Ralph Tester recently had the pleasure of a visit from his sister, Lorene Tester, of John-

son City, Tenn. Miss Tester was accompanied by Frank Campbell, also of Johnson City.

Among those journeying to Indianapolis for the basketball game on December 10 were Julia Willis, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Petrovic, Eldon Eldridge, Herbert Case, Mrs. Carl Eaker and Mrs. M. Corbin.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Dubberly of Ferguson are rejoicing in the birth of their second son, born December 11, 1955.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Reese was the scene of a surprise birthday dinner in honor of Ed Carney on Saturday, December 17. There was turkey with all the customary trimmings and the affair was a complete surprise to Ed, he having been lured thence by a ruse.

Close friends of the happy couple gathered in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Russel Gastreich on November 26 to compliment newly-weds Mr. and Mrs. Tom Petrovic.

At the annual election of officers at the St. Louis Silent Club on December 11, the following were chosen to guide the destinies of the club through 1956: President, Ed Cafiero; Vice-President, Joe Gambino; Secretary, Ed Carney; Treasurer, Mrs. Cleo Campbell. In addition to these four, Mrs. Evelyn Clark, Edgar Dykes, and Mrs. Thelma Brewer were elected to the Board of Directors. All will assume their new duties on January 1.

Dr. Leonard M. Elstad, President of Gallaudet College, spoke before a rather small assemblage during November under the auspices of the class for the deaf of the Union Avenue Christian Church. As always, Dr. Elstad held his audience spellbound and those attending came away with a much more thorough knowledge and understanding of the changes taking place and those planned for the future at Gallaudet. It was a privilege and a pleasure to have Dr. Elstad with us and we look forward to having him return at some future time.

Third Annual Northwest Athletic Association of the Deaf **BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

Friday and Saturday, March 2 - 3, 1956

FRIDAY, MARCH 2 — WILLARD JR. HIGH SCHOOL GYM (Telegraph Ave. at Stuart St., Berkeley)

SATURDAY, MARCH 3 — FREMONT HIGH SCHOOL GYM (Foothill Blvd. at High St., East Oakland)

Teams from Vancouver, B.C., Seattle, Portland, Boise, Sacramento and Oakland will fight for the right to represent the N.W.A.A.D. Region in the Cleveland, Ohio, A.A.A.D. National Tournament, to be held on April 4, 5, 6, 7, 1956.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

FRIDAY, 6:30 p.m. — First Session
SATURDAY, 9:00 a.m. — N.W.A.A.D. Board of Directors
Breakfast and Meeting
SATURDAY, 12:30 p.m. — Second Session
SATURDAY, 7:00 p.m. — Final Session
SATURDAY, after final game — Dance and Award of
Trophies at E.B.C.D.

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MINNESOTA . . .

Let me extend my belated greetings to you for a Prosperous and Happy New Year!

Because Alby Peterson has been ailing for some time, he decided to call it quits by retiring Nov. 9 from work at Excelsior Baking Co., Minneapolis, after 13 years' service. Previous to his coming here, he worked for many years as a baker in Dayton, Ohio. Even long before that, he was an instructor in baking at the Minnesota School from 1911 to 1920. As this goes into print, he will have completed his tenure of one year as chairman of the house committee of Thompson Hall, and of course, because of the illness, he had chosen not to run again as chairman. Well done, Alby! We'll not forget your good work in the past.

Russ Corcoran, Warren Nascene, and Joe Bednarski motored to Granite Falls, Minn., near the South Dakota border, in Russ's 1955 Buick, Oct. 22. They each bagged a pheasant. They shot some more but because of the tall weeds, they couldn't retrieve the birds. They should have brought along a hunting dog to prove their shooting ability!

Although the North high school gridders lost all of the games during the season just completed, Bob Olsen, hearing son of the Iver Olsens of Minneapolis, was voted by fellow players as the Most Valuable Player. In the sports section of the Nov. 17 Minneapolis Star, Bob's picture was shown along with other pictures of Most Valuable Players, each representing his respective school. Bob played as fullback.

Mrs. Ada McNeill is now in Seattle, Wash., visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Mary Bensens, and children. She expects to remain there for about three months and maybe more. The Bensens just bought a home and Mrs. McNeill is helping them get settled.

First deaf couple to acquire a 1956 car in

the Twin Cities are the Walter Blindermans and second place honors go to the Andy Pangracs. Everybody has a different opinion as to the best car on the market. The Blindermans like the Pontiac sedan, not because it is a better one but because of the good bargain they got for their old Hudson car. The Pangracs prefer the Plymouth sedan, to which they have been accustomed in the past. It is the best Plymouth they ever had—much better than its predecessors. Now we'll wait and see who will grab the third place honors.

In a recent Minneapolis Star, John Spellman of the Minnesota School was listed for the second time in a row among the 17 winners in the Newsface Contest No. 2. That contest proved to be a tougher cookie than the No. 1. Also among the winners was Miss Jean Pettit. Ask them what they know about that stuff. Does it prove that women are as smart as men?

Ye scribe's second son, Rubin, underwent a tonsillectomy on Dec. 6. After a day of hospitalization, he was brought home to recuperate. However, the following day he suffered a slight hemorrhage. The doctor found that the surgeon at the hospital did not do a thorough job, and so he removed the remaining lump. Just as Rubin was getting better, he caught a cough, and so he missed school for almost a month.

ARIZONA . . .

Sunday, the 13th of November, was an eventful day at the home of the Willis Combs in Glendale. The occasion was a potluck dinner honoring Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller, who are leaving Phoenix after a three-year stay to return to their farm home at Clinton, Oklahoma. Folks here are gonna miss 'em!

Among those present at the November 13th event were, in addition to the Millers, the Roy Morrisons, the William McRaes, Charlie

Vickers, Chrisoula Poulous, Joe Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Peebles, Mr. and Mrs. Combs and Mr. and Mrs. William Davis.

Robert Mephram, young lawyer from Los Angeles, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Wherry the 12th of November. Robert was on his way to St. Louis, Missouri.

The stork made a most welcome visit to the Raymond Schneiders November 8th, presenting them with a fine baby boy, who tipped the scales at just under eight pounds. Raymond has been busy passing out cigars, accepting congratulations, and announcing that the newcomer has been named Gregory Raymond.

James Bell, who hied himself over to his native state of Arkansas during the past summer, returned to Phoenix with a lovely bride in the person of the former Mrs. Reagan of Little Rock. As this is written, we are happy to report that Mrs. Bell is recovering from injuries received in a recent traffic accident when she swerved her car into an irrigation ditch to avoid another vehicle. Her injuries included several broken ribs and a bruised chest, which required hospitalization.

Arthur Beebe of Safford dropped in for a surprise visit at the home of the Roy Morrisons during the Arizona State Fair Week in November.

Vito Don Diego was heard from, this time in Honolulu, Hawaii, (via a postal card to the William Wherrys of Phoenix.) Vito seemed to be especially enjoying the sights and the dancing hula girls and said he would be back in Phoenix in time for the Christmas holidays.

The Samuel Kohns, who made a prolonged visit to the Valley of the Sun last winter, have announced their intention of returning to Phoenix this winter and folks here were looking for them around December 20. They were coming from New York City and planned to stay at least two months.

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6th Game — 3:30 P.M.

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7th Game — 7:00 P.M.

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Another overnight guest of the Roy Morrisons recently was Homer Humphrey of Vancouver, Washington. Homer was en route to Dallas on vacation and Mrs. Humphrey was to join him the following week in Dallas. Then the two were to return to the Northwest by auto.

Roy Morrison, Jr., sixteen-year-old son of the Morrisons, is driving a '53 Mercury convertible and feels quite grown up. He is a good driver and manages the car as capably as anyone, too.

Mrs. Helen Davis of Los Angeles was the guest of Fern and Gilbert Leon in Phoenix not long ago. Helen stopped by on her return from Tucson where she visited her mother.

Mrs. Norman Bannon of Mesa has returned home from Alaska, whither she went last July to assist her son with his truck harvest which, we learn, was the best in years. Needless to say, Norma is glad to be back in sunny Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Deaver of Dayton, Ohio, are spending the winter in Phoenix and may eventually decide to make Arizona their permanent home. Henry has retired after being connected with a Dayton business concern for many years.

A group of some fifteen persons have been regular attendants at the Good Fellowship Sunday School Class, of which Mr. and Mrs. Joe Peeples are leaders. Miss Chrisoula Poulous recently received a beautiful class pin for the only perfect attendance record. Bible readings are held every Wednesday evening and are a source of much interest.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller entertained Mrs. Miller's sister from Wichita, Kan., for two weeks during November.

Floyd Vance who has been in the Midwest since last spring, was reported in western Colorado during the peach harvest and latest news comes that Floyd is now in Denver. He has bought a new house trailer so that he can travel comfortably. Floyd's sister and brother-in-law, the Gilbert Leons of Phoenix, are anticipating his return to Arizona sometime in January.

Also expected back in Phoenix are very long is Mrs. Cora Richards of Springfield, Illinois. Cora comes to Arizona every winter to visit her son and family.

Other visitors to Phoenix, staying overnight at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Peeples, were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Walpole of San Francisco, who came down late in October. The Walpoles are now living in Springfield, Missouri, where Earl is employed.

Charlie Vickers, brother-in-law of Ike Coke, with whom he makes his home in Phoenix, was one of the recent fortunate deer hunters. Charlie got his deer in the vicinity of Oak Creek Canyon and his eyesight must be very good. Charlie is all of 76 years young.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Peeples have been busy for months and months remodelling the house they bought in Phoenix. We just know it is going to be a beautiful place when they are finished; Joe is quite adept at carpentry.

CALIFORNIA . . .

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Letterman are driving a '53 Pontiac and very proud of the new buggy. And their little baby, in case you are wondering, is getting along fine.

Happiest young couple we've seen in many a moon are Jim and Avis Long, who were married in Los Angeles during November. Jim is the spark-plug of the Long Beach Club's basketball team and a player to be reckoned with. Jim's bosom pal, Paul Miles of Chicago, arrived in Long Beach just in time for the Christmas holidays and is living with Jim and Avis until he is settled. Paul will also play for the LBCD team.

The John Fails and the Ivan Nunns spent four leisurely days in Las Vegas between

Christmas and the New Year and spent a day viewing the wondrous sights at Hoover Dam. Of course they spent most of their time feeding the slot machines and Jerry hit the jack-pot within minutes after she hit town. And spent it all, too, buying souvenirs for her friends (yes, I did and most of the money went to finance that movie I made: "Las Vegas or Bust" . . . and I came home busted all right!)

Others who visited Las Vegas during December were Donald Darcy and Cardell Beaubien. Donald said his luck was lousy but Cardell seems to have come out okay and cautions folks to play the machines out on the "strip" instead of those in the center of town. Let's see how good his advice is!

Frank and Beverly Sladek and little daughter, Donna, spent the holidays at Frank's father's home in Long Beach and found time to drop in on their friends. Folks were glad to see them and to know how well and happy they are in their new home they had built in Tucson, Arizona, the past year.

John Curtin journeyed down to Calexico to see his friends and ran into Epifanio Arce of Los Angeles, who was spending Christmas with his parents. Epifanio and John were both back in time to celebrate the New Year in Long Beach, Epifanio bringing along a huge bottle of genuine champagne!

John Vrecko, formerly of Austria, spent two weeks around Christmas visiting with his folks back in Cleveland, Ohio. From Cleveland, John went on to New York before returning to California. The entire trip was made by plane.

It was a lively bunch who took in the December 19th football game between the Cleveland Browns and the Los Angeles Rams at the L.A. Coliseum. Among those who braved the cold drizzle to see the Browns trample the Rams were Mr. McLean, Joe Park, Jay Grider, John and Jerry Fail, Charles Brinker, Joyce Grimes, Ivan Nunn, Vincent DeChiazza and Virgil Grimes. Borrowing Joe Park's field glasses, we spotted Cardell Beaubien and Sanford Diamond amongst the some 87,000 spectators, tho' they never knew it! We looked in vain for others . . . we are sure there were dozens of our friends there that afternoon. As for the Rose Bowl game . . . you guessed it, we stayed home to see it on TV.

December 18, Tom and Becky Elliott entertained at a small party for baby Debby, who is now one year old. During the festivities Tom and Becky made known the fact that they'll welcome another little one sometime around the middle of June and we're hoping it's a boy tho' Tom and Becky are not committing themselves.

And now, with football out of the way, let us turn our attention to the FAAD Tournament which takes place at Beverly Hills High School February 24-25. Chairman Klugman of the Hollywood Club announces that things are going along just fine with tickets to the tourney on sale right soon. An ad appears elsewhere in this magazine, so won't you please look it up and make plans now to attend? The NWAAD Tournament will be held up in Oakland, California the week end of March 2-3 with the Oakland Club playing host to teams from the Northwest. We'll be seeing you!

December 3rd saw the first big basketball game of the season take place when the Oakland team journeyed down south to challenge the Long Beach boys at Long Beach. And yes, the Oakland boys rode rough-shod over Long Beach as usual, being much better than they were last year. Oakland bids fair to represent the NWAAD in April with Dom Ponsetti as coach and Abe Rosenblatt as manager. The Long Beach line-up shows great promise with many superior new players having joined the team this season. John Fail is coach for a third season and Joe M. Park in his second season as manager. Newcomers include Frankie Lehr, Merle Rader, James Long, James Sweet-

ney, and several others. Louis Dyer and Don Neurnberger again head the Los Angeles quintet and Mr. Kronick is coaching the Unison Club. Joe DiVita is the new Hollywood coach and a full schedule of inter-club games is in prospect for the next couple of months. And, are you folks getting ready to attend the big 1956 FAAD Tournament? We hope so! Six teams comprise the FAAD this year; the four mentioned above and Salt Lake City and Tucson. We are sorry no news has come in from either SLC or Tucson, and that has us worried 'cause either one of them could easily cop the FAAD championship.

December 17 was quite a night at the Los Angeles Club when Eleanor Nearnberger and Bernard Bragg headed a cast of talented local-lites, including Saul Lukacs and Hope Beasley, who gave one of the best stage shows in months. Mrs. Beasley is a new-comer to local club shows, having given a most magnificent performance as Belinda in the recent play, "Johnny Belinda," in which she costarred with Herb Schreiber. Everyone knows the wondrous capabilities of Bernard and Eleanor and Saul kept folks in stitches with his comedy antics. Here is hoping for a repeat of the December 17 show real soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Toivo Lindholm of Riverside entertained at an Open House in honor of their two sons who were home for the holidays December 28. First Lt. Allen T. Lindholm, a 1953 graduate of West Point, who had been in Japan and Korea for 16 months, shared honors with his brother. Tom L. Lindholm, now a cadet at West Point. Lt. Lindholm, whose next assignment of duty is at Fort Carson, Colo., has served as aide de camp to Gen. W. R. Frederick Jr., Gen. Martin Morin, and Gen. Christian H. Clarke, in turn. Fiancees of the two young men were also present at the open house: Pamela Nancy Gluck of Los Angeles and Barbara Behling of Rivera. Lt. Lindholm and Miss Gluck have announced their plans to be married February 11. The two met in Korea where Miss Gluck served with the Red Cross-USO. Cadet Lindholm and Miss Behling plan to wed following his graduation from West Point in June, 1957. Invited to the open house were almost the entire deaf population of Riverside, Toivo being instructor in printing at the Riverside School. From out of town came the Simon Himmelscheins of Venice, the Thomas Elliots and the George Elliots of Los Angeles; Mrs. Jessie Dobson of Berkeley; Mrs. Grace Noah and the Julius Seandels and son, Aaron, also of Los Angeles.

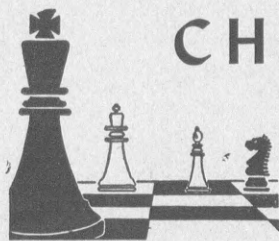
Some fifteen guests gathered at the home of Miss Madeline Musmanno in Riverside the evening of Wednesday, January 4, the occasion being to make the acquaintance of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Murphy, who were visiting in town. Mr. Murphy is a member of the faculty of the New Jersey School.

Misses Pat Kitchen, Teruko Kubotsu, and Mrs. Helen Tiberio invited more than a score of people to their home for a Watch-Party on New Year's Eve at Riverside.

Winona Chick of Sacramento, Secretary of the California Ass'n of the Deaf, has sent out a call to members of the Board for a meeting February 18 at the famed Mission Inn at Riverside. The deaf of Riverside are busily preparing for the CAD Convention which will take place there this fall, the dates being August 31-September 1-2-3, and it is hoped that all deaf residents of California will make plans now to attend the huge event.

Howard L. Terry has tired of his "bachelorship" since the death of Alice and has moved to the California Home for the Aged Deaf. Terry, a poet and writer, wants his friends to know that his present address at the Home is 953 So. Menlo, Los Angeles 6, Calif.

Abe Miller and daughters, Lenore and Joann, of Santa Rosa, dropped in to visit friends at Riverside and Los Angeles during the holidays just past. And Abe was sporting an elegant 1955 Packard, no less!



CHECKMATE!

By "Loco" Ladner



The B Tournaments

The B players seem to be enjoying their games by mail, to judge from comments on their cards when reporting wins to the Director. We know that some of them will develop into Class A players because of the experience and practice gained in these games by mail. It has been said that "practice makes perfect." However, the right kind of practice is necessary and the fundamentals of chess should be the basis for this practice. The player who learns the fundamentals and puts them into use as he plays is the one who will develop into a stronger player.

Here are two typical games by B players. They contain lessons which should teach these players to avoid making the same mistakes in later games. Let's profit from their mistakes. We shall stress only the major errors:

White:	Black:
Donovan DeYarmon	Dr. Byron B. Burnes
1. P-Q4 P-Q4	18. B-N6 ch. K-R1
2. P-K3 P-K3	19. QxQ(i) RxQ
3. N-QB3 N-KB3	20. N-B7 ch. K-N1
4. N-B3 B-K2	21. RxP?(j)
5. B-Q3 O-O	R-Q8!(k)
6. O-O P-KR3(a)	22. RxR NxR
7. R-K1 P-R3(b)	23. PxP BxP
8. P-QN3	24. R-N1 N-B6
B-Q3(c)	25. R-K1 R-KB1
9. B-N2 N-B3(d)	26. N-K5 R-B3
10. P-K4(e)	27. P-B4(l)
P-K4(f)	B-B4 ch.
11. PxQP PxP	28. K-B1 R-Q3
12. PxN PxN	29. B-R5(m)
13. P-N3?(g) PxB	R-Q7!
14. R-N1 B-QR6	30. B-K2(n)
15. N-K5 N-Q4(h)	B-Q4(o)
16. B-B4 N-B6	31. N-B4 RxBP
17. BxP ch. K-R2	32. P-QR3 NxB

HELP WANTED

The Superintendent and Matron of the Archibald Memorial Home, which is the Indiana Home for Aged and infirm Deaf, having resigned, the Board of Directors of the Home are highly desirous of securing another couple for the jobs. A deaf couple is preferred, but a hearing couple that can use the sign language will be acceptable. The position pays a good salary plus living quarters and meals. The Superintendent must be able to manage the Home, do yard work, gardening and other chores. The Matron must be able to cook for the old people as well as do the general housekeeping. Any couple interested may secure further details by contacting the President of the Board:

PAUL DELUCENAY,
Ligonier, Indiana

33. RxN R-B8 ch. 35. Resigns (p)
34. R-K1 R-B6

Comments by the Chess Editor:

(a) This move wastes time as it threatens nothing and slows down development. Better is 6... QN-Q2.

(b) Too cautious. Better to develop pieces than to move rook pawns.

(c) This piece was moved twice in the opening, usually a time-wasting maneuver. Try to put pieces on squares they will be most effective. Correct was 8... QN-Q2.

(d) The knight was better placed at Q2, to allow P-B4 later.

(e) A strong move to threaten 11. P-K5, forking two pieces.

(f) A counter attack. 11... PxP is less effective, as it opens a file for White's Rook.

(g) The first blunder, as it loses a piece and also weakens the King's position. BxP was the move, or even PxP.

(h) Threatens N-B6 to fork Rook and Queen.

(i) Possibly best was 19. N-B7 ch, K-N1; 20. QxQ, RxQ; 21. NxR with several threats.

(j) This move loses the game. With 21. NxR, White stands stronger. If 21... NxR; 22. PxP or RxN keeps the advantage.

(k) Better than 21... BxR; 22. NxR, with threat of mate on next move.

(l) A weakening move as it opens the diagonal for the other Bishop. Black was quick to seize advantage of it.

(m) 29. B-Q3 was far better.

(n) The only move to prevent several mating threats.

(o) Black should exchange at once with NxB. When ahead, it is advantageous to exchange. Likewise, when behind, one should avoid exchanges unless it will lead to bettering one's game.

(p) White's downfall started with Move 13 and ended with Move 21. He lost his opportunity at Move 21. An instructive game.

White: Joe Gemar	Black: Joe Lacey
1. P-Q4 P-Q4	12. B-R4 P-QN4
2. N-KB3 P-KN3	13. QP-P B-N2(j)
3. N-B3 B-N2	14. B-N3 B-N5
4. P-K3 P-K3	15. Q-K3(j) B-R3
5. P-KN3	16. O-Q4 BxB
P-QR3(a)	17. ORxB P-QR4
6. B-Q3(b)	18. PxP(k) BxN
B-B3(c)	19. P-Q6(l)
7. O-O(d)	N-K2(m)
N-B3(e)	20. P-K6 O-O(n)
8. Q-K2 P-K4(f)	21. PxP ch. RxP
9. P-K4 B-R6	22. BxR ch. KxB
10. R-K1 N-N5(g)	23. RxN ch.
11. B-N5 ch.	Resigns (o)
P-B3(h)	

Comments:

(a) Better to develop with N-KB3, followed by Castling.

(b) The Bishop belongs at N2. The text move weakens the King's position badly.

(c) Second move by the same Bishop—to no purpose. N-KB3 was the correct move to allow castling at the first opportunity.

(d) Notice the big hole at N2 now.

(e) In Queen's Pawn Openings, this Knight is better placed at Q2. This applies only to the Black side.

(f) A seemingly strong move, but it is premature due to Black's exposed King. The lack of early castling will prove costly to him.

(g) The King needs protection. KN-K2 is called for.

(h) The Bishop looks tempting but would lead to complications not good for Black. For instance, if 11... PxP; 12. QxP check, N-B3; 13. KPxP regains the piece with a strong attack.

(i) The Bishop is forced to move, proving the point of (c).

(j) 15. P-QR3 traps the Knight.

(k) The threatened Knight could be saved by 18. P-K6, attacking the Rook. If 18... N-B3 or Q-B3; 19. PxP check is powerful.

(l) These two connected passed pawns are as strong as a Queen. So White seemed well justified in sacrificing his Knight for them.

(m) At long last and too late this Knight emerges. He should have leaped on the 5th move.

(n) Castling in the teeth of the assault, to no avail. There is no defense left in the crumbling castle.

(o) No way to avoid mate or the loss of his Queen. Another instructive game for those who will study it.

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4th B Tournament

Entries are now open for the Fourth B Tournament. The entry fee is one dollar. These players have already enrolled: Fred F. Foster of Cleveland, Joe Gemar and Arthur Yule of Washington State.

Tournament Results

Few have come in. So far we have Burnes defeated Gemar who beat Daulton. Leaders are Collins with 7½-½; Burnes with 6-2; Lacey, 5½-3½; Daulton, 4-4; Gemar, 4-4; DeYarmon, 5-7.

In the Third Tournament, Kannapell took two from Skinner and split with Ladner. Leitson continues to lead with 15-2 followed by Chauvenet, 14-4; Font, 12-4; Ladner and Kannapell, 11-2; Stevenson, 9½-5½.

National Association of the Deaf

Byron B. Burnes, President

Robert M. Greenmun, Sec.-Treas.

St. Louis Plans Rally

The deaf of St. Louis, Mo., who are busy making plans for the 1957 N.A.D. convention, also are planning a huge rally to take place in St. Louis on Saturday, June 16. Raymond Halbach, chairman, announces that this rally will be big enough and attractive enough that folks from some distance should be interested in attending. A stage show will feature the program.

Since the date of this rally is immediately after the meeting of representatives from state associations at Fulton, Mo., the representatives will have an opportunity to see the rally. N.A.D. officials also will be present. Watch for more particulars in THE SILENT WORKER.

Report from the Home Office

Life Members: 3,467
Pledges 25,603.73

Contributors During the Month of December, 1955

(Note: The contributions published in this list each month do not show contributions to the Dollar-A-Month Club. The cost of preparing and publishing a member's Dollar-A-Month contribution would not leave enough from his dollar to be of much help to the N.A.D. Some members have included Dollar-A-Month payments along with other contributions. This list includes only the other contributions.)

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Berke	\$ 10.00
Donald E. Boone	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Cherry, Jr.	10.00
Raymond J. Dalla	5.00
Miss Frances Fanguy	60.00
Georgetta Graybill	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Heacock	15.00
Mrs. Hattie Lee	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. John W. Nesgood	10.00
William J. Purdy, Jr.	15.00
William McK. Stewart	250.00
Anabel Powers Tilley	25.00
Albina Redman Watson	10.00

Financial Statement

(June-December, 1955)

January 6, 1956

National Association of the Deaf
Attention: Officers and Members
Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith are a Statement of Receipts and Expenditures and a Balance Sheet as of December 31, 1955.

The figures represent the financial activity of The National Association of the Deaf for the seven-month period beginning June 1, 1955 and ending December 31, 1955.

The statement submitted at the Convention in Cincinnati, July 5, 1955,

covered the triennial period ending May 31, 1955.

The next financial statement submitted will cover the first six months of the year 1956, and semi-annually thereafter.

All of the foregoing is in compliance with directions of the membership, as voted in Cincinnati last July.

Attached hereto is a Report on In-

vested Funds prepared by Mr. Robert M. Greenmun. This report has been checked and verified with data supplied by Trustee Officers of The City National Bank & Trust Company of Chicago. These data were supplied independently to your auditor by the trustees.

Very truly yours,
David W. Wilson, Jr.
Auditor

Balance Sheet — December 31, 1955

ASSETS:-

Current Assets

City National Bank & Trust Co. (Columbus, Ohio)	2,666.26
City National Bank & Trust Co., (Chicago, Ill.)	1,887.42
Petty Cash	250.00

Total Cash in Banks or on Hand	4,803.68
Investments	35,508.42

Total Current Assets	40,312.10
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Fixed Assets

Office Furniture & Equipment	3,266.52
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Other Assets

Advances to Silent Worker	1,466.69
Prepaid Expenses	90.00

Total Other Assets	1,556.69
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Total Assets	45,135.31
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LIABILITIES:-

Accounts Payable	55.01
Accrued Federal Income Taxes - Withheld	129.90

184.91

CAPITAL OR NET WORTH

Invested Surplus — 5/31/55	35,809.92
Appreciation — 6/1/55 thru 12/31/55 ..	3,148.51

Invested Surplus — 12/31/55	38,958.43
Operating Surplus — 3/31/55	1,553.76
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements	4,438.21

Total Operating surplus — 12/31/55	5,991.97
Total Capital	44,950.40

Total Liabilities and Capital	45,135.31
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Statement of Receipts and Expenditures

June 1 through December 31, 1955

Receipts

Annual Dues and Fees	872.00
Life Memberships	1,837.55
Contributions	10,201.36
Affiliation Fees	545.00
Dollar-a-Month Club	173.55
Dividends Received	392.35
Interest Earned	145.71
Sale of Literature	11.50
Discounts Earned	6.93

Total Receipts	14,185.95
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Expenditures

Officers' Traveling Expense	2,007.10
Office Salaries	3,249.00
Extra Office Help	126.00
Rent	630.00
Officers' Salaries	1,400.00
Misc. N.A.D. Convention Expense	72.16
Professional Services	175.00
Printing and Stationery	712.56
Office Supplies	511.04
Postage	407.12
Telephone and Telegrams	96.08
Repairs and Maintenance—Office Equipment	4.40
Promotion Expense	44.20
Freight and Cartage—In and Out	42.92
Insurance Premiums and Bonds	33.00
Miscellaneous Office Expense	237.16
Total Expenditures	9,747.74
Net Operating Profit — 12/31/55	4,438.21

Invested Funds

At the Austin Convention (1952) it was decided, in accordance with the recommendation of the President of the Association and of our Chairman of the Committee for Increasing the Endowment Fund to consider the Endowment Fund as having accomplished the purpose for which it was originally established. The Endowment Fund office, at that time located in the LaSalle-Wacker Building in Chicago, was henceforth to be considered the home office of the Association, rather than a purely fund-raising office, and all future collections from whatever source were to be used for the maintenance of the office and other functions of the Association.

Following the Convention the Executive Board of the Association instructed the Treasurer to reinvest, at his discretion, the funds of the Association formerly known as the Endowment Fund, for greater income.

In December, 1953, the stock market was at the lowest average in some time, and it was felt the time was appropriate to take action toward investing some of the Endowment Fund for capital appreciation and increased earnings. After conferring with trust officers of the City National Bank and Trust Company, of Chicago (the custodian then, as now, of all our invested funds) and with an investment adviser of the firm of Hornblower and Weeks, it was decided to use cash at that time in our savings account together with the mature proceeds (\$5,300.00) of a United States Savings Bond plus \$14,507.04 received from the sale of a \$15,000.00 U. S. Treasury 2½% bond due 12/15/72 to purchase the following list of securities:

\$5,000 Standard Oil of Indiana 3½% Convertible Bonds due 10/1/82.....	\$ 5,229.42
100 shares Commonwealth Edison Co. Common	3,736.50
25 shares Continental Insurance Co. Common	1,950.43
50 shares Corn Products Refining Co. Common	3,722.72

50 shares Monsanto Chemical Co. Common	4,237.18
100 shares Pacific Gas & Electric Company 6% 1st preferred.....	3,375.88

Subsequent to the purchase of these stocks both Corn Products Refining Company and Monsanto Chemical Company split their shares of common stock on a 3 for 1 basis, which increased our holdings to 150 shares of each.

We received as a stock dividend from the Commonwealth Edison Company 34 shares of the common stock of the Northern Illinois Gas Co.

In November, 1955, we received rights to purchase 6 2/3 shares of the common stock of Commonwealth Edison Co. Rather than sell these rights we purchased 50 additional rights, giving us enough to purchase 10 additional shares of Commonwealth Edison at \$37.50 per share. The rights cost us \$11.72, which made the total cost of the additional 10 shares \$386.72.

Total cost to us of the above securities was, then, \$22,638.85.

Values of these securities, as of the close of business Friday, December 16, 1955, was as follows:

\$5,000 Standard Oil Co. of Indiana Convertible Debentures @116.....	\$ 5,800.00
110 shares Commonwealth Edison Co. Common @ 41%	4,587.50
25 shares Continental Insurance Co. Common @100%	2,512.50
(This stock is due to be split 2 for 1 in early 1956)	
150 shares Corn Products Refining Co. Common @27%	4,126.25
*150 shares Monsanto Chemical Co. Common @47%	7,068.75
100 shares Pacific Gas & Electric Co. 1st preferred @36%	3,637.50
34 shares Northern Illinois Gas Co. Common @20%	688.50

Market value, 12/16/55\$28,421.00

*On December 30, too late to include in this report, three shares of Monsanto Chemical Co. common were received as a stock dividend, increasing the value of this stock by \$141.38. This makes 153 shares, worth \$7,210.13.

In addition to the above we hold the following in the Invested Funds as of 12/16/55: U.S. Svgs. Bond Series F due 8/1/62 \$ 100.00 U.S. Treasury Bonds, 2½%, due

3/15/70	4,500.00
100 shares Peoples' Printing Co. Capital Stock (estimated on basis of 5% annual return)	600.00
In savings account	1,887.42

Total present value of

Invested Funds\$35,508.42

Nothing has been added to the invested funds since the Austin (1952) Convention. \$2,000 was transferred from the invested funds to the General Expense Fund early in 1955 to help meet the running expenses of the Association. Total cash and securities reported to the Austin Convention by the Endowment Fund Trustees (who were discharged of their duties by that Convention) was \$29,012.89. The increase of \$6,495.53 (including the \$2,000.00 which was transferred to the General Expense Fund) is accounted for entirely by capital appreciation of investments and dividends and interest received from investments.

The total amount received from dividends and interest during the seven months of 1955 covered by the financial report has been \$538.06.

Ten Years Ago

The N.A.D. began its expansion program at the conclusion of the Louisville convention in 1946, when the incoming president announced a Home Office with a Full-Time staff as the immediate objectives of the Association. To show the growth of the Association, a condensation of the treasurer's report in 1946 is given below. It represents the 6-year period from 1940 to 1946. Compare it with the above report for the final seven months of 1955.

Financial Report, July, 1940, to July, 1946 — General Fund

Receipts	
Brought forward from 1940.....	\$ 185.47
From Los Angeles convention committee	212.30
Contributions	241.81
Membership fees and dues	2,344.60

Total receipts\$ 2,984.18

Expenditures	
Convention expenses	\$ 135.24
Printing and stationery	286.47
Commissions on dues to affiliates.....	64.12
Printing convention proceedings.....	437.09
Paid to Endowment Fund from Life Membership fees	627.81
Committee expenses	215.48
Officers' expenses	361.85
Salaries	600.00
Advertising	21.13
Affiliation dues, National Rehabilitation Assn.	25.00
Contribution to Texas Assn. of Deaf ..	50.00
Contribution to the Victory Fund....	100.00

Total expenditures\$ 2,924.19

Total receipts\$ 2,984.18

Total expenditures\$ 2,924.19

Balance in general fund.....\$ 59.99

Investments	
Securities	\$11,427.00
Savings account	3,325.82
Total (Endowment Fund).....	\$14,752.82
Interest on securities for this period amounted to \$2,151.75.	

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